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## Friends in call for a £250,000 skate park

A CAMPAIGN has been launched to build a skate park at Willenhall Memorial Park, which could cost up to £250,000.

The Friends of Willenhall Memorial Park want to replace the existing skate park, which has become one of the most popular attractions in the community since opening as a temporary measure more than a decade ago.

Dozens of youngsters have been involved in consultations over the plans in order to design a facility for both skaters and BMX riders.

Willenhall South Councillor Diane Coughlan, who is a member of the Friends of Willenhall Memorial Park group, said materials for the new skate park were being considered carefully.

She said: "There's a vast difference in cost between using steel and concrete. It could cost as much as £250,000 with concrete."

"We want to approach the council for funding. They sold Willenhall Leisure Centre and we want the money from that sale to go towards this skate park."

"We want the money from the closure of one leisure facility in the community to be used for another," she added.

Ramps at the current skate park, off Pinson Road, are now very worn and in need of replacing.

## Latvian woman was crash victim

A WOMAN killed in a car crash at Willenhall was on Tuesday named by police as 24-year-old Jekaterina Ruluka.

The Latvian national, who had been living in Wolverhampton, died instantly when the powerful silver Mercedes E-Class she was a passenger in crashed into railings on the approach to the Keyway island, at Portobello, on Sunday morning.

The male driver was also killed and is also believed to be a foreign national.

# RAIL PROJECT PUT AT RISK BY SNUB

by Lisa O'Brien

**THE LONG-AWAITED electrification of the rail line between Walsall, Cannock and Rugeley is at risk after the West Midlands region was snubbed in a £10 billion plan of national projects. Walsall Council leader Mike Bird has called the decision "disappointing".**

The scheme is one of a handful affected by the Government's decision to spend more than 40 per cent of the money in London and the south east. This means just £57 million – or 0.6 per cent – goes to the West Midlands.

Councillor Bird said: "It's always disappointing when we can't see any advancement in what we believe to be a futuristic approach to transport."

"The funding always tends to be down in the south."

Cannock Chase Council leader George Adamson warned the electrification project was now in jeopardy.

The scheme, which would see an improved faster service with better trains to be offered in South Staffordshire, is currently on a waiting list for funding.

A sum of around £34.9m is needed to increase the speeds of trains on the line from 45mph to 75mph and provide for electrification.

But it was one of the regional projects ignored in favour of increasing capacity between Leamington Spa and Coventry and making more space on the line through Water Orton, east of Birmingham.

## Disastrous

Councillor Adamson said: "This is disastrous for our region. To give so much money to the south and leave out the region with the second biggest population in the UK, and a highly industrial area at that, leaves me gob-smacked."

"The electrification of the Rugeley line had been depending on that. I cannot see how we can go ahead without it."

Cannock Chase Council's backing of the controversial HS2 rail link was conditional on an upgrade of the Chase line to bring potential economic benefits to the district with reduced journey times and an improved frequency of four trains per hour.

Other schemes snubbed were the reopening of the Walsall-Stourbridge freight line and plans to increase trains' speeds between Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury.

Imperial

The bowl dates from 1769 while the figurine is of fairies in a boat and stands about 12in high. Both are from the Qing Dynasty, China's last imperial dynasty, and their total value is estimated at more than £2 million.

Detectives are also looking for two men in connection with the heist. They are Lee Wildman, also known as Jason or Lee Green, 35, from Remington Road, Walsall and Adrian Stanton, 32, from West Bromwich Street, Walsall.

Wildman was one of five people from the West Midlands who were arrested and bailed following the raid.

## Walkers help soldiers



Walking in aid of heroes, from left, Heather Greenway, Mas Cooper, Lisa Heeley and Walsall nurse Tracy Higgins with eight-year-old Logan Greenway, front

A GROUP of friends devoted a day to walking 15 miles in aid of two charities which raise money for injured troops.

The fundraising gang took almost six hours to trek from the Cenotaph in Walsall to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham on Saturday and raised £400.

Tracy Higgins, a 38-year-old community staff nurse at Walsall Manor Hospital, led the group, which also included family members. She said: "A few of us have a military family background and feel very much for those soldiers who have lost their lives or their limbs in the line of duty."

## New rules encourage A-boards for firms

COUNCILLORS in Walsall have changed the rules for business wanting to display advertising boards outside their shops.

Businesses will no longer have to ask for permission to display advertising boards outside their shops.

Existing rules stating firms have to apply to Walsall Council for permission to display A-boards were thrown out at a meeting on Monday night.

Councillor Keith Sears passed the motion to scrap the existing rules and the majority of councillors agreed without the matter being discussed.

It is claimed the new guidelines will help firms to thrive while taking into consideration pedestrians who are disabled, elderly or have pushchairs with them.

## Police

The rules, which also cover shop displays, were drawn up following a consultation with police, firms and other groups. It comes after traders in Bradford Street voiced anger at being told to take their A-boards down.

Only one A-board will be allowed per premises under the code, which recommends sharing an A-board or a rota system where there are multiple businesses on a site.

Boards would have to be placed in the immediate vicinity of the premises. They would have to be removed when firms close for the day or upon request by police, council or fire authorities. Swinging or rotating signs would not be allowed.

## Foundry boost

WALSALL-BASED foundry group Chamberlin has seen its strongest performance in five years.

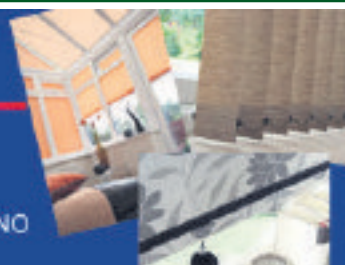
The group, which runs the Chamberlin & Hill works in Chuckery Road, said it had seen increasing demand, had won new business and improved operations.

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## Delay on plan to put brake on bus lane drivers

NEW powers to capture motorists who flout the law and use bus lanes in Walsall will be delayed until the summer.

Council chiefs are looking to use a camera to catch drivers who queue-jump and clog up routes designated for public transport.

It was initially expected the approach to catch and fine drivers would come into force this spring, but it is still to get the go-ahead. The use of bus lane enforcement was due to be considered by the council's ruling cabinet earlier this month but it has now been delayed until June.

Jamie Morris, executive director for neighbourhood services said: "This particular matter will require a key decision to be made and a report is likely to come to the next cabinet meeting."

The aim of the powers is to catch motorists breaking the law on camera and issue fines, with persistent culprits brought before the courts. Drivers will be hit with a bill for up to £60, although an initial amnesty period could be in place before charges are enforced.

The council will work alongside police to monitor such routes and regular offenders can

then be brought before magistrates. Bus lanes are in operation on sections of some of the borough's busiest routes including Wolverhampton Road, Bloxwich Road and Hatherton Road.

Parents who block school gates with their cars while dropping off and picking up their children are also due to be targeted by the council this year. It follows scores of complaints about parents blocking up routes, school exits and people's driveways.

People who park on zig-zag lines and over dropped kerbs will also be targeted.

## Work this year on accident blackspot

WORK to improve an accident blackspot in Walsall will be carried out this year under a £100,000-plus scheme.

There have been 18 accidents along Walsall Road, Delves, over the last two years, prompting calls for action.

A total of £105,000 has now been allocated by Walsall Council in the financial year to carry out the scheme near Delves Green Road.

## Review

This includes road narrowing using cycle lanes and a table junction. The project has been under review by transport bosses who have now allocated funding.

The money is part of the local safety scheme for 2012-13 and has been ranked as a high priority by council chiefs. It is part of a series of road improvements being proposed by the council.

It recently emerged that the authority is looking at ways to ease congestion around M6 junction 10.

## Construction courses are the business

A HOUSING association in Walsall which runs courses and apprenticeships in construction and renewable energy skills has picked up a national accreditation.

Walsall Housing Group has been given the Matrix Standard by the Department for Business Innovation and Skills to recognise the work done in its skills centre. It recognises the quality of information and guidance given to learners.

Independent assessors spent three days at the skills centre, in Holmeadow Avenue, interviewing colleagues, learners, employers and partners about their experiences.

Centre manager Tim Rymond said: "Our success at the skills centre means we now intend to achieve this accreditation for other aspects of our work."

## Funding advice for volunteers

ADVICE on funding was given to voluntary groups in Walsall this week.

Walsall Voluntary Action ran the surgery at its Bridge Street office.

## Bid to cut queues on busy town route

A MAIN route through Walsall is to be overhauled in a bid to cut queues during peak times. The A461 Lichfield Road is being looked at by Walsall Council highways chiefs who are keen to reduce delays.

## Overdose of tablets caused death of a father

A FATHER-OF-THREE died after taking his mother's anti-depressant tablets, a Walsall inquest heard.

Peter Philip Duce, of Church Road, Pelsall, had taken an overdose of the tablets after a night out in January, the inquest at Walsall Manor Hospital was told.

Mr Duce's mother Margaret Duce told the hearing that her son had been living with her and her husband at the time of his death.

## Job

The family told the court that he had suffered a series of setbacks during 2011, including losing his job, having his house repossessed and having to live away from his partner and children.

The hearing was told it was the drug overdose that caused his death.

Black Country Coroner Robin Balmain said he could not be sure that Mr Duce intended to kill himself, so recorded an open verdict.

Around £100,000 has been earmarked to look at improvements on the route between the town centre and Brownhills. Costs of carrying out the scheme would be on top of that figure.

Traffic regularly builds up near the Mellish Road roundabout at busy periods. There is also often congestion at the Daw End Lane junction in Rushall.

Firm proposals are still to be established but the council has highlighted the main stretch as part of its network improvements plan. There is no time scale at this stage as funding would need to be in place.

## Develop

It comes as a busy stretch through the heart of the town is already lined up for work within the next 12 months. That work will be on Ablewell Street and by Pool Street roundabout.

Glyn Oliver, the council's traffic and transportation service manager, said: "As part of the development of a network improvement scheme to address congestion along the A461 Walsall town centre to Shire Oak corridor, Walsall Council has ring-fenced £100,000 in 2012/13 to undertake preparatory work."

"As with any large capital project, a major improvement for the A461 transport corridor would take several years to develop and implement, and would require funding from government and the council."

Ablewell Street work includes pedestrian refuge island, surfacing and improvements on the approach to Pool Street island.

## Stepping into role as princess



Dance champion and Willenhall carnival princess Taiza-Mai Kerr-Smith, aged 13

A 13-YEAR-OLD girl from Willenhall is gearing up to be crowned the town's carnival princess at the main event in June.

Taiza-Mai Kerr-Smith, of Cedar Park Road, New Invention, has been officially selected as carnival princess.

And the youngster has a double cause for celebration after picking up a string of first prizes at a recent dance competition in Coventry. The Pool Hayes Arts and Commu-

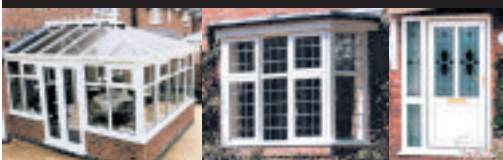
nity School pupil, who has attended Willenhall's Steptacular Dance Centre for the past 11 years, picked up three first place trophies for her street and rock and roll dancing.

She will be riding on top of a float at the carnival which is scheduled to take place at Willenhall Memorial Park on June 23.

The event, which is taking place between 11am and 5pm, will include dance acts, fire stunts and live music.

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## Chance to help clean the canals

VOLUNTEERS are urgently needed to help breathe new life into Walsall's historic canal network this weekend.

An annual spring clean, supported by Inland Waterways Association, the Birmingham Canal Navigation Society and other canal groups takes place on Saturday and Sunday.

Organisers are keen to draft in as many local people as they can to clean tow-paths, remove debris and fashion a makeover on the 29-mile stretch of canal which circles the borough.

Last year the Waterways Recovery Group-led operation recovered bath tubs, tyres, bikes, prams, a kitchen sink and canoe from the bottom of Walsall canals.

Spokesman Dave Pearson said the two-day event gave people the chance to learn more about local waterways while encouraging pride in the community.

"There's nothing better than digging in, getting your hands dirty and being part of something positive for Walsall," he said.

Starting at 9.30am on both days, volunteers will start at the locks at Wolverhampton Street and work towards the M6 motorway bridge. The meeting point will be signposted. Clean-up operations will also take place simultaneously from Sneyd Junction.

Call Dave Pearson on 07527 197842

## Fund target to aid Ryan

A CABARET evening will be held in Walsall to raise funds for The Ryan Cockbill Trust on June 8.

Ryan Cockbill, of Great Barr, broke his neck in a swimming accident in 2006, leaving him paralysed from the chest down, but the 21-year-old dreams of using his shooting skills to compete in this year's Paralympics.

The fundraiser, featuring Jamie Flanagan as Michael Bubble, will be held at The Saddlers Club in Bescot Crescent, from 7pm.

## Pressure check

FREE blood pressure and pulse checks will be available during a stroke awareness event being held at a supermarket in Willenhall this Saturday.

The Rotary Club of Willenhall has organised the event on April 21 at Morrisons in Middle Piece Way from 10am-2pm.

# Diners queue around the block at restaurant



Diners queue for the Fiesta World Buffet and Bar

DINERS queued round the block to try out a new 300-seat restaurant as it opened its doors for the first time.

The Fiesta World Buffet and Bar in Walsall, which has created 50 jobs, was an immediate hit with customers. Scores of people turned up to take advantage of the first night offer of a 99p meal for the first 99 customers.

Friday's opening was heralded by street performers, including drummers, singers and still walkers.

The £1.2 million restaurant has been launched in the former Chicago

Rock Cafe in Lichfield Street, serving an international mix of dishes, including Thai, Japanese, Chinese, Indian, Italian and English cuisines.

Behind the venture is Mandeep Singh Kohli who has hired 15 chefs to keep diners satisfied.

More than 300 people applied to work at the restaurant. It replaces the Chicago Rock Cafe which closed suddenly in December 2010.

Regeneration boss Adrian Andrew has welcomed the new business and employment prospects.



The popular new town centre restaurant

# Primary schools benefit in major revamp scheme

**AN £800,000 scheme to improve primary schools in Walsall is nearing the end of the final phase. Roofing work, new windows and drainage replacement are among the works that have been carried out.**

A total of 11 schools will have benefited from the scheme which is expected to draw to a close over the next month. It is being funded from the £4.7 million capital maintenance allowance for 2011/12.

The last phase of work includes replacing windows at Pinfold Street JMI in Darlaston.

There are also roofing works at Butts Primary taking place and drainage and resurfacing works at Harden Primary.

Woodlands Primary in Willenhall benefited from roofing work, while rewiring schemes have been completed at St Bernadette's Catholic Primary in Brownhills and St Mary's of the Mount Catholic Primary.

### Upgrades

Blue Coat CE Performing Arts Specialist College has benefited from fire safety, roofing work and piping upgrades.

Busill Jones Primary in Bloxwich, New Invention Infants and Junior and Rushall JMI have all also benefited from the scheme.

by Lisa O'Brien

Surveys to assess the condition of every borough school took place before decisions were made on where to spend the cash.

It was also recently announced that more than £7 million is to be ploughed into refurbishing and renovating schools across Walsall in the next 12 months.

Education bosses will invest the cash over the next financial year.

The higher-priority work includes £300,000 on roofing and electrical work at Pheasey Park Farm Primary and £150,000 on heating and hot water installation at Bloxwich CE Primary.

Other immediate projects are for £300,000 to be spent remodelling St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary in Dartmouth Avenue.

## Time to celebrate in Willenhall



Looking at Willenhall's heritage - Brian Austin, Julia Saint, Wendy Evans, Ralph Jackson and Rick Saint with Brian's Ark Racing Sprite Twin Cam car to be featured at the Heritage Day being held on Saturday

SINGERS and a locally built racing car will feature at a heritage day and collectors fair being held in Willenhall.

The event will take place at the Chart Centre, Gomer Street, on Saturday between 10am and 4pm.

It has been organised by and in aid of Willenhall Heritage Trust after the first heritage day two years ago drew in

more than 600 people. Admission will be £1.

The Hodson vintage clothing collection will go on display, and there will be family history workshops and entertainment from Willenhall's Got Talent finalists.

There will be a display featuring a car built by Ark Racing, a company

which designs and builds cars in Willenhall and was launched in the 1960s.

The 1970 Ark Sprite Twin Cam was the first car to be completely designed and made by the firm.

There will also be a model railway display, locals and local memorabilia.

Trust treasurer Julia Saint said: "There will be over 37 displays."

## Colourful Sikh festival

DANCING, music, food and art will form part of the celebrations for the Sikh festival of Vaisakhi taking place at Walsall New Art Gallery on Saturday.

A day of entertainment is being planned at Gallery Square with workshops and Indian cuisine on offer. There will be performances by a Bhangra group and folk dancers. Khalsa Aid will be giving a talk on their humanitarian work and there will also be hand painting with Mendhi patterns. Families can get involved in workshops to make colourful souvenirs.

The event will run from 11am to 4pm. It is being funded by the Arts Council England and Walsall Council, with support from the Walsall Sikh Forum, Five Rivers Bespoke Caterers and Ambur Radio.

## Craft fair for heart charity

A CRAFT fair is being held later this month to raise funds for Walsall charity Heart Care.

It takes place on Sunday, April 29, from 11am to 3pm at Aldridge Community Centre, on Middlemore Lane.

The charity provides a rehabilitation programme for people that have suffered heart attacks or undergone heart surgery.

Fundraiser Sue Taylor said: "We are really lucky to have wide range of crafts on display from cup cakes to cross stitch and beautiful handmade items for the home, including hand-painted items and cushions."

## Diversion due to mains work

A TEMPORARY one-way system will operate in Willenhall until the end of this month.

It will be in force in Sneyd Lane, New Invention, between its junctions with Appleby Gardens and Essington Road.

The work in the road is for a gas mains renewal scheme which is being carried out by Morgan Sindall on behalf of West Midlands Gas Alliance.

A diversion route for south easterly traffic will be via Essington Road and Lichfield Road.

## Garden project at care home

CARE home residents in Walsall are looking forward to growing their own flowers and vegetables thanks to a woodland garden project that has launched in the area.

A pathway is being created at Pelsall Hall care home, in Paradise Lane, and the community team from the Midcounties Co-Operative will be lending a hand next month to clear the wooded area and lay allotments.

## Will's birthday

BLOXWICH Library Forum is on Monday celebrating World Book Night and the birthday of William Shakespeare with Sounds and Sweet Airs.

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**TIMEWATCH** (BBC2) was a little harsh on the natural world with its investigation into the Titanic tragedy looking at "The Iceberg That Caused The Catastrophe." I thought it was Captain Smith.

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"I'M in the queue at Waitrose." Mobile-phone conversation overheard by a Daily Telegraph reader - in the queue at Aldi. If you've heard similar mobile-phone whoppers, do let me know.

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THERE was never a corgi in hell's chance of Camilla being called anything other than Queen Camilla when Charles becomes King. All that Palace nonsense about Camilla being styled as consort to the next king was merely a sop to the grieving millions who thought making Camilla a queen would be an insult to Diana.

Now the Queen has appointed Camilla a Dame Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order. Royal watchers are feverishly informing us that this paves the way for Camilla one day to be known as Queen. This was the plan all along. How could it be otherwise? The wife of a king is always a queen. How stupid do they think we are?

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I HAVE focused recently on the pitiful thickness of the average criminal. However, there are some blockheads allegedly working for the forces of law and order. Three weeks into a robbery trial, a juror got a sick note from her GP, went on holiday and phoned the court to say she was off ill. Court staff in Preston became suspicious because the call came from Malta. The juror has now been jailed for contempt and her family seem hugely surprised. It's a sharp, simple message from the legal system. As the Law Society Gazette headline on the case says: "Hell hath no fury like a courtroom scorned."

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IN ITS time Which? magazine has exposed some shocking scams. But its latest probe, into the "exorbitant" prices charged for champagne teas in upmarket hotels seems odd. If some clots are prepared to pay up to £85 per head for a glass of bubbly and a plate of scones, that is entirely a matter between them, their lives and the establishment. A fool and his money are soon parted, and consumer watchdogs should leave him to it.

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WHO says 100 per cent insulation is a good idea? If you ever step inside a super-insulated house, you will be struck by how deathly silent it is and how there is no movement in the air. The stink from Friday's cod and chips is still with you on Monday.

It is no coincidence that the spread of double glazing and loft insulation has coincided with the rise in sales of air fresheners pumping scented chemicals into the foggy, fetid atmosphere of unnaturally warm rooms to make them smell of pine forests. Believe it or not, some of us actually prefer proper homes with proper draughts. And I bet we are the healthier ones.

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THE DEATH is announced of Dr Leila Denmark, an American paediatrician who attributed her great age to eating no refined sugars and drinking nothing but water. She lived to 114. I bet it felt longer.

**Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star**

## Hi-vis donation for blood bike service

A BROWNHILLS firm has come to the aid of a life-saving service. A & J Designs, which is based at Chasewater Innovation Centre and embroilers workwear, has supplied high-visibility jackets to a charity that delivers urgent medical supplies.

Midland Free Wheelers saves the NHS tens of thousands of pounds with its free motorbike courier service. Around 25 volun-

teers give up their spare time overnight and at weekends to deliver urgent blood and medical equipment to and from New Cross Hospital in Wolverhampton. The charity relies solely on donations and sponsorship to keep it running and A & J Designs agreed to provide the vital equipment to keep the riders safe when out on the road.

Former BBC Midlands Today

presenter and motorcycle enthusiast Ashley Blake is the Blood Bike charity's latest recruit. He said: "The only way the charity can survive is by the generous donations of people like A & J Designs."

"Without their help our limited funds would have been stretched even further."

For more information visit [www.midlandfreewheelers.co.uk](http://www.midlandfreewheelers.co.uk)



Clive Smith of A&J Designs, right, and Ray Hart

## Borough in bid to host top art prize

A BID is on course to be submitted for Walsall to host the art world's Turner Prize in 2015, says the borough's council leader.

Mike Bird welcomed plans to bring the prestigious ceremony to Walsall New Art Gallery. The gallery could also reopen on Sundays to boost the bid, with seven-days-a-week opening seen as vital to chances of securing the event.

"Hosting the Turner Prize is a prestigious accolade, and if we were to get it that would bring footfall into the town and people would spend their money here," Councillor Bird said. "I would support it."

Councillor Bird also pledged to restore Sunday opening at the gallery.

"What we are mindful of is we have to save money. It was closed on Sundays to make savings. But if we can reopen within the budget, I would support that."

Restoring Sunday opening is expected to cost £30,000 a year.

Walsall New Art Gallery could expect 100,000 visitors over three months if the Turner Prize bid was successful, double the usual figure.

## Accolade for homes group

A HOUSING association in Walsall which runs courses and apprenticeships in construction and renewable energy skills has picked up a national accreditation.

Walsall Housing Group has been given the Matrix Standard by the Department for Business Innovation and Skills to recognise the work done in its skills centre.

It recognises the quality of information and guidance given to learners.

Tim Rymond, manager at the centre in Holmeadow Avenue, said: "Our success means we now intend to achieve this accreditation for other aspects of our work."

## Woodland walk

WALSALL group of the Ramblers will be heading to Dodford and Randon Wood near Bromsgrove for a seven mile circular walk on Sunday.

Non-members are welcome and should contact the walk leader for further information on 0121 353 4102.

## Heritage fund hopes for ceremonial relics

A £50,000 scheme has been launched to unravel the history and raise the public profile of one of the most well-known and curious surviving relics from Walsall's past.

Members of Walsall Civic Society are leading the project to bring the Bayard's Colts back into use after a £37,500 funding bid from the Heritage Lottery Fund was recently secured. The colts are a collection of 17 clubs which were carried behind the mayor in ceremonial processions such as the opening of markets and fairs and other civic occasions.

The project intends to preserve the tradition of using the colts in ceremonial processions in the town throughout the year, raise awareness in the area of the colts and increase the number of people visiting them every year.

Under the scheme, money is being spent to investigate the colts and present the information in a way people will be able to access.

It would also see a new piece of street theatre created about the colts to be performed in the borough. A new set of colts would also be created by a local sculptor with input from local people.

## Unique

As well as the lottery grant other organisations have also put forward funding for the scheme, including Walsall College and Walsall Council.

Project director Tony Kemsall, aged 62, from Walsall Civic Society, said: "Over the next 18 months as the project activities unfold we will see the impact of Bayard's Colts on the streets, via social media and in the activities that begin to explain the unique tale and heritage that makes Walsall a very special place."

"We are hoping new colts will be created and I hope they will still be used for years to come."

**Plea for blood**  
NHS Blood and Transplant is appealing for volunteers to attend a blood donor session at Walsall Town Hall on Wednesday, 12.30 to 3pm, to help meet the demand for blood from local hospitals.

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## Pizza success for shop owner



Carlos Mahmood receives his Best Loved Takeaway in Britain award off Sarah Rhodes, Director of Best of Walsall. Carlos is with staff at his shop in Willenhall

THE OWNER of a Willenhall pizza parlour is celebrating after it topped a poll to find the best-loved takeaway in the UK.

Pizza by Carlos, run by Carlos Mahmood, won the award in a competition run by online business directory The Best Of. His pizza business came first in the takeaway category and was also sixth overall in the 100 most-loved businesses list.

Mr Mahmood, who has worked in the pizza takeaway industry since he was 17 years old and previously owned businesses

in Wednesbury and Heath Hayes, picked up the award in a ceremony at Walsall Town Hall.

"I'm absolutely delighted," he said. "I'd like to thank all the customers and staff who have helped me out. We've had the shop for three years now and business is good, although the recession is still holding us back. We keep high standards and only use the best ingredients and fresh dough."

Pizza by Carlos is based in The Square, Lichfield Road.

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## Beacon centre proposal

A VISITOR centre could be created at Barr Beacon under new plans. The Barr Beacon Trust and Walsall Council are looking at reviving proposals for which will include a cafe and meeting room but it is dependent on securing funding.

It emerged last month the war memorial will be restored to its former glory after receiving a £440,000 grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund.

Now the Trust is looking to create a visitor centre in the existing lodge. A larger £2.3 million project was put forward for the beauty spot in Beacon Road as part of the Black Country Urban Park bid in 2007. But it missed out on winning the cash.

Councillor Adrian Andrew, chairman of the Barr Beacon Trust, said: "We are looking in the short to medium-term to convert the lodge into a visitor centre, put a cafe in there and a meeting room."

"We want more people using Barr Beacon and hopefully even look to open it as an evening restaurant."

An initial feasibility study has been commissioned and funding sources are being explored.

## Market raids finding fakes

ALMOST £5,000 worth of fake goods have been seized from council-run markets across Walsall in the last six months, enforcement bosses have revealed.

Five raids were carried out by council trading standards officers on stalls at Walsall, Bloxwich and Willenhall between last October and March this year.

Counterfeit items worth around £4,800 including Calvin Klein boxer shorts, Hugo Boss and Armani products were discovered and seized.

More than 300 fake goods were seized in that period and the council has vowed to crack down on any traders selling "sub-standard" products who then risk court action.

Council leader Mike Bird said: "Most of these goods are sub-standard and we need to protect our consumers."

## House plan backed

A NEW three-storey house will be built on land in Walsall after the proposals for the property in Pelsall Lane were approved.

## Simplify junction call

A BUSY junction off the M6 could have its lanes cut from three to two after 13 accidents in two years.

The circular layout underneath junction nine at Wednesbury is used by tens of thousands of drivers every day and is the main gateway for Ikea and Gallagher Retail Park. As the number of shops on the business park has increased, with the likes of Lipsy, Outfit, Boots and TK Maxx arriving, it is busier than ever.

A £170,000 package of improvements, which include re-marking the lanes to form just two around the junction, along with better pedestrian and cyclist routes is being put forward by Walsall Council.

It is claimed that re-marking the road, used by drivers heading between Walsall and Wednesbury, will make it easier for motorists to know which lane to use. Funding needs to be secured before the project can go forward.

## Only here for the beer... and cider

HUNDREDS of real ale fans flocked to Walsall for the town's annual beer festival, which returned to its traditional venue Walsall Town Hall this year.

Almost 120 ales as well as ciders and continental beers have gone up for tasting at the town's 31st festival.

The event was organised by the Walsall branch of Camra (the Campaign for Real Ale) and the festival was returning to the town hall after previously being staged at Walsall College.

Branch secretary Cheryll Gilbert said she was delighted at the number of customers who had made the return such a success.

"Having a couple of hundred people here has made it really busy," she said at the festival's opening.

Hannah Hewish, landlady of the White Lion in Sandwell Street, Walsall, said: "I have a love of beer and think more people should appreciate it too. This event brings people together who might not meet otherwise."



Cheers – trying ales at the beer festival are, from left, Ulie Atkins, Liz Coley and Graham Bosworth

# Barrow boys to expand as firm aims at £10m target

A FAMILY-RUN wheelbarrow manufacturing firm from Walsall is defying the economic gloom and will be creating new jobs over the next year, bosses have revealed. The Walsall Wheelbarrow Company is on track to hit a £10m turnover this year.

It recently invested over £380,000 in new machinery and trucks. The firm, which has two sites in Wednesfield, was launched more than 15 years ago by Walsall father-of-two Les Thacker. His late father, Fred Thacker, who died in 1980, aged 64, is thought to have made the first steel wheelbarrow in the UK shortly after the Second World War in the back yard of his home in Pelsall.

## Enthusiasts get a rare peek at classic vehicles

AROUND 800 transport enthusiasts took the opportunity of a rare peek at a clutch of classic vehicles which went on show for the first time in Aldridge.

Thirty restored buses and commercial vehicles dating back decades went on display at the Aston Manor Road Transport Museum on Sunday after relocating from Witton Lane, Birmingham.

Founder member of the museum Alan Bishop said: "We were overwhelmed by the numbers that came, from toddlers to pensioners."

The only slight mishap during the day was a puncture to one of the buses but that was quickly rectified, he said.

Volunteers are now looking to set up a permanent museum at Beecham Business Park, off Northgate, after the success of the open day. Their collection included a tram from the 1920s, a van from around 1928 and a taxi from the 1970s, along with an old Royal Mail bicycle, bus stops and an old fuel pump.

### Travel

Visitors were also able to travel to Walsall and Sutton Coldfield on a 1950s bus. More shows have been planned in June and July.

The museum in Witton closed after a bid to buy the Grade II listed Victorian tram shed was rejected. The offer was turned down last August in a row over the valuation of the building and unpaid rent. The current venue was offered to volunteers by Volant Passenger Vehicle Solutions, a firm occupying the other half of the site, and talks are ongoing about how the building can be developed into a fully operational museum.

Today, his grandsons Simon, 43, and Jonathan, 41, help run The Walsall Wheelbarrow Company, while their 71-year-old father is the managing director.

Sales director and father-of-two Simon, of Sutton Road, Walsall, said: "Recently we have invested over £300,000 in a robotic tube bending machine."

"The machine has been made in Britain for our specific requirements."

### Range

The company makes up to 3,000 wheelbarrows a day and employs 65 staff on its sites in Phoenix Road and Neachells Lane.

Bosses plan to launch a new range of wheelbarrows this year.

"We have taken on two people in the last two months and have plans to create more jobs over the next year," added Mr Thacker.

## Go BioBlitz wild

EXPERTS will take budding wildlife scientists under their wing this weekend at Walsall's first free BioBlitz event.

A BioBlitz is a wildlife hunt where people record as many different species as possible. Walsall's event, organised by Walsall Council's countryside services team, is being held at the south end of the Arboretum on Saturday from 10am until 4pm.

Visitors of all ages are being invited to enjoy a host of activities – from sweep netting for bugs to grubbing for beetles – with experts on hand to help. People should make their way to the South end, or "back" end of the Arboretum via the Broadway North entrance, where there is parking.

Call (01922 459813) for further details.



Walsall Wheelbarrow Company are investing in equipment are plan to create more jobs at their Wednesfield factories as the traditional family firm enjoys success. Pictured with their firm's products are (top to bottom) Simon and Jonathan Thacker

## News in brief

### Mayor walks a Fair way in town tradition

A CENTURIES-OLD tradition took place in Walsall town centre as traders and townsfolk came out in force for Walking the Fair.

Walsall Mayor Councillor Garry Perry led the annual event on Friday which included morris dancers performing a specially composed Sister Dora dance to mark the occasion.

Walking the Fair dates back to 1662 and originally took place before the town's annual fairs or markets, granted to the borough in its charter by King Charles I.

The ancient Walking the Fair has traditionally seen the mayor and people from the town walk a route symbolising the recognition of the vital role played by the markets in the economic and social life of Walsall.

### RNLI boat donor launches his gift

AN RNLI supporter from Walsall has funded a new lifeboat in the name of his sister and best friend after deciding he wanted to see its benefit now rather than wait for his will.

David Cole from Bloxwich has donated the boat to the service in Burry Port in Carmarthenshire. A service of dedication was held in Wales at the weekend where the D-class inflatable lifeboat was named in honour of his sister Hilary and best friend, Diane Shirley.

It replaces a lifeboat bought by another Walsall RNLI member Bill Bache from 2003.

### Firewalk to aid hospice funds

FUNDRAISERS will be walking barefoot over a scorching trail of burning wood embers in to raise money for St Giles Walsall Hospice.

The sponsored firewalking event is taking place at The Sportsway, in Chase-town, Burntwood, on April 29. Registration will take place from 6pm.

### Chance for young to show off talent

A SINGING, acting, dancing and music workshop is due at a Walsall school.

The Joseph Leckie Academy, in Walstead Road West, will host an I Got Talent event on April 29 for 11 to 16-year-olds from 3.05pm.

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# Wait for phones delays return of estate surgery

THE return of a surgery to the Walsall housing estate it serves after years of uncertainty has been delayed by weeks for phone lines to be installed.

Abbey Square surgery in Bloxwich, which serves 3,000 patients, was forced to move off the Mossley estate and operate out of Little Bloxwich clinic when the lease on its building expired.

The primary care trust was granted planning permission to set up in Fisher Street last month as a temporary solution while a permanent base for the practice is built.

But the move, which was due to be complete by the beginning of this month, has been delayed until the end of April.

Michelle Beddow, spokeswoman for NHS Walsall, said: "The latest position is the building is in situ and the majority of works have been completed."

### Links

"The delay relates to the installation of the new IT and phone links to be installed by BT which has delayed the occupation of the premises until the end of April."

MP for Walsall North David Winnick, who was involved in the campaign to save the surgery because he said there was "no justification to leave the residents without a surgery on the estate" said he hoped the delay is kept to a minimum.

He said: "It is to be hoped there will no further delay and that the facilities will be up and running as far as stage one is concerned. As for the permanent building, I will certainly be in touch with the GP providers that are replacing the primary care trust."

## Extra school places on way

MORE than 100 extra places will be created at Walsall schools in the next two years to help deal with a baby boom.

Council bosses approved plans to increase yearly admission rates at more than a dozen primary schools across the borough to cope with increasing demand.

## Hospice celebrates first year



Hospice birthday celebrations with nurse/manager Helen Simkins and Alan Fletcher whose wife was cared for at the hospice

THE St Giles Walsall Hospice has celebrated its first anniversary having helped care for hundreds of people over the last 12 months.

The £5.5 million facility opened to patients in Goscote Lane last April

following a 20-year campaign for an adult hospice in the borough.

Alan Fletcher, whose wife Elaine of Bloxwich was the first patient to be treated at the health complex, was invited to help cut the cake.

## Event to gauge interest in dementia support group

A COFFEE morning has been organised to integrate people who suffer with dementia. Aldridge and Beacon Area Partnership is working with residents in Streetly to establish a support group.

An informal coffee morning has been organised for May 14 at Blackwood Pavilion to gauge interest and opinion.

A spokesman said: "The idea of the event is for us to gauge the number of people in the Streetly area who suffer from, care for or know someone with

Dementia. We are hoping that by establishing a support group we will be able to help." Those interested in attending the event, from 10am to noon, are asked to telephone (01922) 652029 or 0121 353 6140 to register.

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# Card shop is latest to quit high street for new site

CLINTON Cards is to open a new store at Walsall's Crown Wharf Shopping Park by the end of May, as it becomes the latest chain to leave the high street for an alternative base outside the heart of the town.

Bosses at the card seller have revealed they expect to launch the shop within two months after being informed their proposals could go ahead without the need for fresh planning permission.

It means the Clinton branch in Park Street will close later in the year.

Walsall has one of the highest rates for empty shops in the country with one in four currently unoccupied in the town centre.

## Shake-up

Top Shop has already left Park Street and River Island has revealed it is looking to relocate to the Crown Wharf, near to the multi-million pound Tesco store.

The council has received a £100,000 cash boost from the Government to tackle the issue of empty town centre units.

Most of the positions at the new 9,300 sq ft Clinton store will be filled by staff from existing branches and there are no plans for job losses. The other Clinton shop in the Saddlers Centre is due to remain under the shake-up.

Scott McLean, spokesman for Clinton, said: "Our aim is to open the new store by the end of May. The Park Street branch will be closed later in the year."

## Putting thoughts on record

A MUSIC mogul from Bloxwich, who has worked with stars such as Kylie Minogue is to talk about his new book.

Former Joseph Leckie School pupil Steve Jenkins started out as a mobile DJ and became managing director of Jive Records.

He will be signing copies of his autobiography at Walsall Central Library, in Lichfield Street, on April 26 from 2.30-3.30pm.

# Taste of Indian culture



Grace Middleton, George Cullingworth, Nicola Hall, Leah Whittle, Leo Waterfield and Finley Surrell enjoy learning about India

CHILDREN at a Walsall school got a taste of Indian culture during a themed event. Pupils in Years 3 and 4 at Holy Trinity Church of England School have been learning about India.

The children at the Church Lane school, aged eight and nine, tried out an array of traditional Indian hobbies, passions and foods including weaving, dancing, cricket and curry.

The children and staff dressed up

in traditional Indian dress. Year 4 teacher Karen Griffiths said: "It's all about learning about different places and cultures. We have done it with European countries in the past, including France."

"They had a fantastic time. They want to know why we don't do this every day in school."

She said the school will be linking a lot of their work in with the Olympics, focusing on the history and importance of the games.

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# No market revival due despite Tesco bid delay

THE former Brownhills Market pitch will not be revived despite the revamp of the nearby Tesco remaining on hold, council bosses have said.

The market collapsed last summer after private operators recruited by Walsall Council pulled the plug on the event.

A new public square capable of holding stalls next to the High Street is planned as part of the multi-million transformation of the supermarket.

It was anticipated work on the revamp would begin earlier this year.

But Tesco recently stated although it is committed to the investment, there is no confirmed start date for the work.

Council chiefs said there are no talks to bring the former market in Silver Street back into use in the meantime.

## Limbo

Jo Nugent, team leader for regeneration, said: "There are no plans to do anything with the former market site until Tesco confirms what its plans are for the supermarket."

Shopkeepers at Ravenscourt Shopping Centre have also been left in limbo. The precinct is earmarked for demolition as part of the supermarket plans which include a rebuild and expansion with two shop units for other retail or cafe-type use, creating around 150 jobs.

## Warning to Tesco over parking rule

TESCO has been urged to enforce parking restrictions at its Walsall store. Walsall Council bosses claim the company is in breach of planning regulations as motorists are leaving vehicles on the 750-space car park for free.

Walsall Council wants pay and display introduced for non-shoppers at the store. Although Tesco has reduced free parking from three to two hours the authority says it has not complied with the agreement.

Planning bosses can issue a notice for failing to comply with planning conditions and the supermarket has stated it would look to work with the authority to resolve the parking issues.

## £8k shelter for park young



Chris Bott and Councillor Paul Bott, with the park's new shelter

A NEW £8,000 youth shelter has been put up in a Darlaston park in a bid to reduce antisocial behaviour in the area.

The structure has been erected in George Rose Park. Money was collected through the Friends of Darlaston South Parks, Walsall Housing Group and West Midlands Police.

The park is in the midst of a £300,000 revamp. It is believed the shelter could help to keep youngsters off the streets and reduce the fear of antisocial behaviour on the nearby Rough Hay Estate.

Councillor Paul Bott, chairman of the Friends of Darlaston South Parks, said: "It will give teenagers somewhere to go."

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## Get-together for old classmates



Ex-St James's School pupils Barbara Jones, Lynette Kelly, Margaret Marston, Val Small, Margaret Such, Jill Withers, Celia Richardson and Janice Ware get ready for the reunion

A GROUP that have been friends for more than 50 years are helping to organise a reunion for hundreds of ex-pupils.

A get-together for former students of St James's School in Wednesbury has been organised for May 9.

It will include a service at St James's

Church, in Hollies Drive, led by Father Kevin Palmer at 10am.

There will then be a tour of the school and the chance for old pupils to renew old friendships.

A group of eight who attended the school between 1955-59 will be among those attending.

They regularly meet for a meal and catch up once a month.

Former pupils are spread across the region, including Sandwell, Walsall, Wolverhampton and Dudley. Celia Richardson, aged 67, of Dingley Road, Wednesbury, said: "We are all looking forward to it."

## Mums-to-be lighting up

**ALMOST one in five pregnant women in Walsall smoke at the time they give birth, latest figures show.**

More than 18 per cent of expectant mothers are still lighting up at the time they deliver, according to the statistics released by primary care trusts across the region.

In Wolverhampton the figure is more than 17 per cent, while Sandwell and Staffordshire came out best.

Nationally, the worst-performing

area was Blackpool, where 30.3 per cent of mothers-to-be were still getting their nicotine fix at nine months.

### Defects

Women who smoke run a higher risk of miscarriage, birth defects and still births than those who do not. Smokers are also three times more likely to have smaller babies.

The latest figures, which relate to September, November and December for the financial year 2011/12, show that of the 913 women who were preg-

nant during that time in Walsall, 165 – or 18.1 per cent – were smoking.

In Wolverhampton, 148 – or 17.7 per cent – of the 836 expectant mums were still lighting up. In Dudley, there were 990 pregnant women in the borough during that time, of which 168 – or 17 per cent, were smoking.

Sandwell fared best in the Black Country, with 185 of the 1,261 mothers-to-be still smoking by the time they delivered, equating to 14.7 per cent.

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# Silverstone date for budding engineers

**BLACK Country University Technical College (UTC) students are currently creating battery powered cars which will be raced at Silverstone, as part of a Greenpower Education Trust enrichment activity.**

The prospective engineers have been tasked with building, developing and racing a car, in competition against other schools across the country. The Black Country UTC will be entering two cars, one in the 14-16 category and one in the 16-25 category.

The cars are built from Greenpower kits and will be ready to race in the season opener at Silverstone, where they will be challenging each other to an 80 minute race using one set of batteries. The winner will be the team with the car which covers the furthest distance within the set time.

#### Innovative

The innovative project is giving students real experience in engineering development and the students' participation has been partly funded by local employer and Black Country UTC partner, ZF Lemforder.

To compete at the highest level, students will need to use their knowledge of aerodynamics, the use of energy and calculating efficiency.

Chris Hilton, principal of the Black Country UTC commented: "This is an extremely exciting project, giving students hands-on experience in building and developing their own cars."

"The challenge will be an invaluable experience for them as they embark on their future careers in the technical industries."

The Black Country University Technical College is a specialist engineering and science college for 14 - 19 year olds and offers GCSE's, A-levels and BTECs in a range of subjects. There are also pathways for students wishing to progress onto apprenticeships or level 3 vocational courses relating to engineering.



UTC students with one of two cars to make their way around Silverstone

Expert teachers and outstanding links with employers provide students at the UTC with the skills and qualifications they need for an exciting and rewarding career in science and engineering, or progression to university. The Black Country UTC is one of the first of a new breed of schools across the country, offering 14 - 19 year olds the opportunity to work on exciting and challenging projects, developing innovative products and processes that could change the way we live.

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# Brothers 'n' arms



**TWIN brothers and their eight-year-old friend found two rifles and a bullet buried in the towpath of a canal in Willenhall.**

Jack and Ben Ruby, aged 11, and Ronnie Smout found a flintlock rifle thought to be more than 100 years old.

But within half an hour of turning that over to the police, they found another more modern rifle with a bullet next to it in the bag. The friends were playing by the canal near Bentley Lane, Short Heath, when they spotted what they thought was a leather jacket at around 6.30pm last Wednesday (April 11).

They picked it up and discovered the gun inside. Their parents called the police.

## Canal

The twins' father Wayne, a 41-year-old self-employed plumber, said: "My wife took it to the police station in Bloxwich. A bit later they went back to the canal and must have started looking around where they found the first gun."

"They found the other one wrapped in black polythene

**by Daniel Wainwright**

liners and it had a bullet with it. The boys were very sensible and did the right thing. They came back and told their nan about it straight away and we called the police again."

Supt Keith Fraser, from Walsall police, said: "A member of the public brought a firearm into Bloxwich police station on Wednesday. "Thirty minutes later the same woman called again to report that a second firearm had been found."

"Following examination of both firearms it has been found they are not viable weapons. The live bullet was not compatible with either weapon."

"It is believed the items are 40 to 50 years old and have not been fired for many decades."

Ronnie Smout, aged eight, and twins Ben and Jack Ruby, 11, with a rifle they found in Farmhouse Road

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# Stores supporting teenage cancer trust

I AM writing to let readers know about a nationwide fundraising initiative taking place across all Superdrug stores on 21 and 22 April.

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During the fundraising weekend Superdrug staff will be going back in time to when they were a teenager, digging out their old school ties and

sporting teenage hair styles. Some shoppers may also recognise Superdrug staff dressed as the music star they idolised as a teenager.

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Please support your local Superdrug store in their fundraising efforts.

**SIMON DAVIES**  
Chief Executive  
Teenage Cancer Trust

## Plea over registering as a donor

THANK you for the coverage of Mark Worrall meeting New York postal worker Audrey Pollard, whose blood stem cell donation saved my son's life.

The event led to more donors registering and we hope to organise recruitment sessions in the West Midlands.

News that Aston Villa captain Stiliyan Petrov has been diagnosed with acute myeloid leukaemia illustrates how suddenly and unexpectedly this can strike and I hope it will lead to thousands more coming forward as blood stem cell donors.

Registration is simple and you can find out more from your GP or via [www.anthonynolan.org](http://www.anthonynolan.org)

Audrey was asked, when donating blood several years ago, whether she would like to join the blood stem cell register: she said yes and in so doing saved Mark's life.

**RICHARD WORRALL**  
Walsall

## LETTERS to the Editor

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**ALAN V HARRISON**  
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## Mountainous task will generate funds for Meningitis UK

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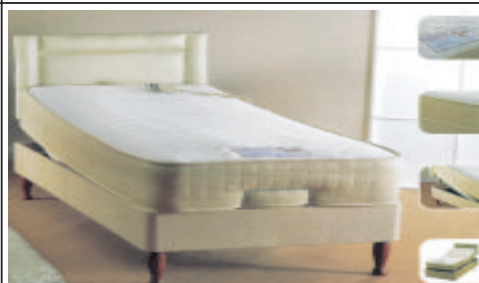
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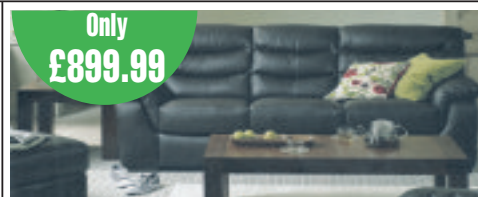
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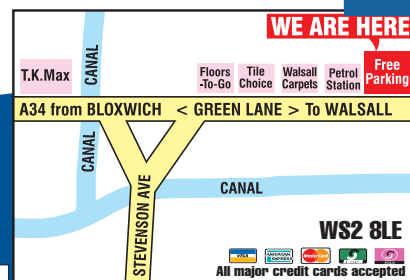
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# Drama and sport given a big boost by students



Alice in Wonderland featured this inventive caterpillar. ALDRIDGE School has received funding from Get Set, the official London 2012 programme. Students will be learning about the games and the Olympic and Paralympic values.

Funding will enable the school to deliver an exciting range of events which will also be enjoyed by its feeder primary schools. Students have established their own Olympic Council.

They will help co-ordinate, manage and run a variety of themed activities throughout the year.

Representatives from different year groups will initiate the school's first Teaching and Learning focus group run directly by students.

As members of the Olympic Council students will be involved in national events including reporting on the BBC School Report website.

Skills Lower school students have had the opportunity to develop their performing skills.

Such was the enthusiastic response to a shortened version of Alice in Wonderland and the wealth of talent which emerged in auditions, two casts were involved.

Students and staff worked together sharing expertise on directing, stage design and costume under the guidance of the drama department.

The imaginative production involved many very decorative flowers and a magnificent green caterpillar.



Aldridge School students visited partner school WMST in Washington DC



Students with members of New York Philharmonic Orchestra, during a visit to London

# Academy accolade for science college

**BUILDING on its current success, a science college, Aldridge School, becomes an academy this month under the "performing well" category.**

Independence has been granted by Michael Gove who recognises the tremendous work done by the school in providing an almost bespoke educational experience for the young people of the local community.

Apart from its reputation for academic excellence demonstrated by successful

Oxbridge candidates, the school has an enviable reputation for its music scholarships, vocational courses and opportunities for international links; all delivered within a caring and supportive learning environment.

Education at Aldridge extends well beyond the classroom.

During a recent holiday, four sixth form students were given the opportunity to visit the partner school, WMST in Washington DC.

This visit built upon the success of existing links and gave students an opportunity

to experience the American education system for themselves.

Aldridge hopes to host American students next year.

## Reception

Music scholars also enjoyed their own transatlantic experience. As guests of the American Ambassador they travelled to London to attend a reception for musicians from the New York Philharmonic Orchestra visiting London as part of their European tour. Students were delighted to meet the musicians after the performance.

Unlike some other academies, Aldridge will be governed by trustees, local parents and business people who are dedicated to promoting and supporting the success of their local school.

Headteacher David Mountney said: "It is a tremendous opportunity to offer a unique and personalised experience to our students, preparing them for the many challenges of a rapidly changing working environment."

"The conversion will enable us to further encourage students to work towards "achieving excellence together."



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# Lenny lends a hand for drama students



Comedian Lenny Henry with performing arts students at Walsall College

COMEDIAN turned serious actor Lenny Henry held a workshop with performing arts students at Walsall College to help him finalise the script for his latest play.

His new play will be performed next year as part of the National Theatre's Connections Festival, which celebrates new writing and young theatre performers.

The workshop was held at the college's Wisemore Campus, in Littleton Street West, and involved a series of focus groups where the Dudley-born entertainer tested key ideas from the play out on the students, who also acted out some scenes.

Performing arts lecturer Kerry Downing

said: "We have developed an excellent working relationship with the National Theatre, as a result of the hard work and dedication shown by students in their performance last year. It was an incredible and very rewarding opportunity for our students to work with an established artist like Lenny Henry, and to also put their ideas forward for his consideration."

Though previously best known as a comedian, starting out on New Faces and on children's show Tiswas in the 1970s, Henry has become a serious actor.

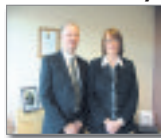
His stage work includes playing the title role in Othello, for which he was crowned outstanding newcomer at the Evening Standard Theatre Awards, and most recently The Comedy of Errors at The National Theatre.



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# Thousands try out the latest gadgets

THOUSANDS flocked to the NEC Birmingham for the five-day Gadget Show Live where the latest home and leisure technology products were unveiled to the public.

The hordes of gadget fans, many eager to get 'hands on' with the new products, were kept busy with zones dedicated to photography, gaming, in-car entertainment, music making, home gadgetry, outdoor pursuits and future technology. There were also product launches and lecture theatres where gadgets were put through their paces.

Some of these products were toys for very rich boys (or girls) including the TL1 motion simulator with wrap-around 180 degree screen at an eye-watering £11,500. A three million pixel screen and fully adjustable seat sensitive to road feel complete with driving wheel and pedals, all of which can be plugged into a Windows 7 PC, make this the ultimate racing sim... for the price of a car. Just won the lottery? How about the £40,000 pro version?

Anyone who has ever owned a flying toy will have been drooling with desire at the Parrot AR Drone 2.0 which can be controlled via an Android phone or tablet. Out in June, this highly manoeuvrable four-propeller flying machine (a quadcopter that can flip over!) packs onboard cameras for high-definition aerial footage that can be beamed back to your phone instantly or uploaded onto YouTube. Those who couldn't afford the £279.99 price tag were later seen mooching around the Flying Gadgets stall where you could pick up a less hi-tech copter for around £20.

I remain very sceptical about the Solowheel as the future of personal transport but this is certainly the small-



American rap star 50 Cent launches his new headphones range at the Gadget Show Live in Birmingham

est most portable transportation device being no more than a chunky wheel containing an electric motor and a couple of footplates. It is basically a unicycle without a seat or the handle of its rival the Segway. It does have a gyroscope to make the device 'self-balancing', a range of 12 miles on a single charge and a top speed of 12 mph. The makers say the riding technique can be mastered in half an hour. At £1,189 a pop for the Solowheel, I reckon it has got some way to go before they become a familiar sight. And you can't customise it like a scooter.

Solowheel also had some competition from motorised skates SpnKiX,

from California, which fit over your shoes and can propel you to speeds of six to ten mph. They are currently available in the US for around £400.

New York rapper and business mogul 50 Cent (AKA Curtis Jackson) is expanding his empire into high-end audio by launching his own range of headphones, which he personally introduced at the Gadget Show Live's media and trade day. He has teamed up with SMS Audio to take on his LA rival Dr Dre whose Beats branded phones are bestsellers.

## Sound

50 Cent stressed his input testing the phones in development and answered some technical questions from the audience, lest we think he was just putting his name to the product. He explained that after putting effort in at the studio to perfect his music, he wanted fans to experience the best possible sound reproduction.

Also a campaigner against world hunger, 50 Cent said he would be encouraging distributors of his phones to contribute to his charitable ventures via his brand of "conscious capitalism". The rap star added: "I grew up without money but I didn't grow up hungry."

His range of three professionally tuned high-end pairs of cans include the £99 Street by 50 earbuds, £199 Street by 50 over-ear headphones to £299 top-of-the-range wireless Sync by 50 which can sync up to four users from one source. Both of the over-ear sets of phones have a 40mm driver. When someone suggested these were pricey, 50 Cent said people "equate expense with quality." Though an SMS Audio spokesperson was quick to add that a lower priced addition to the range was on the way.

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## CLUB NEWS

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# President gives out cheques to charities



Pat Roberts, of Midland Air Ambulance, Eileen Cryer, President SI Cannock & District, Hayley Cliff, of Pathway and Janette Arrowsmith, Cannock Friends of St Giles

AT HER last meeting as President, Eileen Cryer took the opportunity to present cheques to three local charities benefiting from the club's fundraising during the year.

She invited Hayley Cliff from Pathway, Pat Roberts from Midland Air Ambulance and Janette Arrowsmith, chairman of Cannock Friends of St Giles to join for a meal and to receive cheques.

Eileen presented a cheque for £1,300 to Pathway and Hayley, deputy director, thanked the club for its continued support.

## CANNOCK SOROPTIMISTS

Eileen's chosen charities for the year, Midlands Air Ambulance and St Giles Hospice, each received a cheque for £1,000. Pat Roberts told the club that the money was hugely appreciated, while Janette Arrowsmith told Eileen and members that the amount of £1,000 was far beyond her expectations.

## Garden tips for members

SPEAKER Derek Higgott's talk was entitled "All Things Bright and Beautiful".

Derek's plot is famously known as The Secret Garden in Staffordshire. He began the evening by showing slides of his beautiful garden in all its glory during every season. He also

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showed slides of Shugborough where he is one of two gardeners who keep the grounds immaculate.

Recently the BBC rang Derek to ask if one of the presenters of Gardner's World could visit. Carol

Klein later came to look over his garden and this was included on one episode.

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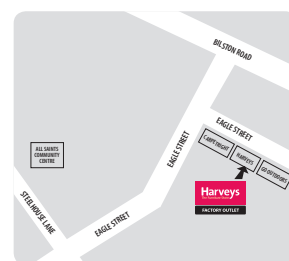
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The Pool Hayes Primary School pupil is a dedicated member of the First Short Heath Scouts Group and has been attending Cubs for over a year. He has been awarded the Dennis Buckroyd Memorial Trophy for working so hard to keep the promise. It is the first time the award, dedicated to a former leader, has been given out since 2004.

Luke's proud mother Michelle, aged 37, of Martin Drive in Short Heath, said: "He tries really hard to keep the promise and do five good deeds a week and he's really helpful to the other Cubs."

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**MORE** than £6 million has been spent on improving roads across Walsall.

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# Mother's pride over new unit's first born



Proud parents Amy and Matthew Myers with baby Elijah  
**A PROUD** mother has become the first to give birth at a new specialist maternity centre in Walsall.

Little Elijah Myers was welcomed into the world at the new midwifery-led unit in Charles Street in the early hours of April 5.

The Homer Building has been transformed into a birthing unit to ease growing pressure on the hospital, which is having to accommodate more births.

Mother Amy Myers, aged 27, of Stanley Street, Blakenall Heath, said it had been a "wonderful experience" to give birth at the new facility which has three birthing suites with double beds, en-suite bathrooms and birthing pools.

## Experience

There is also a kitchen and lounge area, with music and TV facilities throughout the unit.

The part-time Chuckery Primary School teacher gave birth at 2.18am to her new son who weighed 7lb 1oz.

She said: "It was a water birth. I got in the pool at 2am and he arrived 18 minutes later."

"The room was lovely and tranquil. It was a wonderful experience."

She added: "The women were brilliant. They were really friendly. It was a completely different experience to giving birth at Manor Hospital where I had my first child."

Amy's husband, Matthew, 27, agreed it had been a "calmer" environment.

Mrs Myers, who also has a 15-month-old daughter called Lily-Grace, added: "Elijah's settling in wonderfully at home."

The new unit, where up to 1,000 women a year will give birth, opened only days before and aims to provide a relaxed environment for low-risk pregnant women and their families.

## Available

It provides a 24-hour service, seven days a week and will be available for any women who have had a straightforward pregnancy and who are at least 37 weeks pregnant.

Karen Palmer, head of midwifery at Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust said: "It is great to share the news that our first baby was born in our brand new midwifery led unit."

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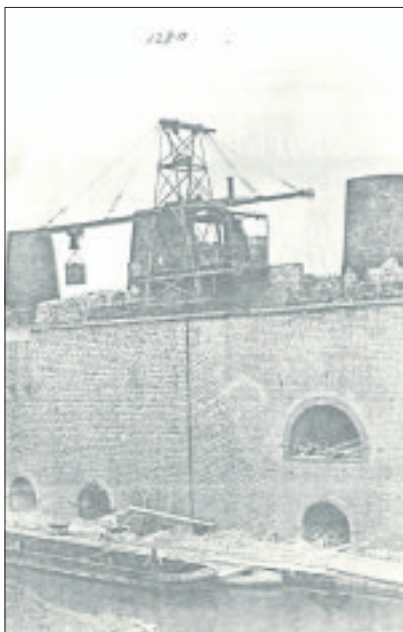




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"This left the ground laced with



by Black Country Living Museum's Fiona Carding

caverns, the most spectacular being Seven Sisters."

Impressive 28ft chimneys topped the shafts and kilns, belching out continuous plumes of smoke, adding to the plague of fumes which gave the Black Country its name.

The kilns were filled with alternate layers of limestone and coal. Small wagons transported the raw materials around the top of the kilns and the shafts were loaded through doors in the base of the chimneys.

A winding gin stood on top of the kilns and raised the raw materials delivered by the canal boats in the basin below.

Mel said: "Quicklime and lime dust were dangerous to work with. Despite wearing gaiters for protec-

tion and cloth wrapped around their hands and faces, many lime burners sustained terrible injuries to their eyes and skin.

"In 1849 Lord Dudley built a hospital (which later became the Guest Hospital) for the care of lime workers blinded at his works.

The industrial might of the region was felt the world over. From ornate gates created for the Royal House of Sian to the construction of the Ibi-Gawa Bridge in Japan – the region's manufacturing industry made its mark.

Its success lay in its geological wealth and the mettle of its people.

So next time you take a stroll – keep your eyes peeled. The past surrounds you but it can slip by in an historical blink of the eye!

● **Construction Skills: The Lime Cycle.** The museum is holding a practical course giving an overview of the role played by lime in the industrial heritage of the Black Country on May 26 and 27 and June 16 and 17. Visit BCLM.com for more details.



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**BRITAIN'S GOT TALENT**  
 ITV1, 8.30pm

There have been plenty of deluded wannabes this year, and some genuinely talented acts. Ok, Mr Zip's rap Where Me Keys? Where Me Phone? is catchy, but, occasionally there are acts who take your breath away. Few could forget teenager Ashleigh and her lovable dog Pudsey, while Irish singer Ryan's song No Name was TV gold. Who will go through this week? Well that remains to be seen, but you can bet that David Walliams will be winding Simon Cowell up a treat, while Amanda Holden and Alesha Dixon add lashings of glamour to the proceedings. As ever, Ant and Dec host.

**6.00** Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** The Little Paris Kitchen: Cooking with Rachel Khoo. (R) **12.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **12.15** Football Focus. **1.00** British Olympic Dreams. **1.30** Live Snooker: The World Championship. Coverage of the first round at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield. **4.30** Final Score. **5.20** Formula 1: Bahrain Grand Prix Qualifying Highlights.

**6.40** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **7.00** The Voice UK. Holly Willoughby and Reggie Yates host the first of two shows this weekend in which the coaches whittle down their acts by pitting them against each other in battle performances.

**8.30** The National Lottery: In It to Win It. Dale Winton hosts the quiz show in which five contestants answer questions to scoop a big prize.

**9.20** Casualty. The pressure of the looming GMC hearing begins to take its toll on Sam, while Scarlett refuses to talk to Lloyd about their burgeoning relationship, and Lenny tries to kiss Linda.

**10.10** BBC News; Weather. **10.30** Match of the Day. Including highlights of Arsenal v Chelsea; National Lottery Update.

**11.50** The Football League Show. Highlights of today's games in the Championship, League One and League Two.

**1.10** Weatherview. **1.15** BBC News.

**6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **12.05** Escape to the Country. **12.35** Film: Advise & Consent. (1962) Political drama, starring Henry Fonda. **2.50** Film: The Cheyenne Social Club. (1970) Comedy Western, starring James Stewart. **4.30** Live Snooker: The World Championship. Further coverage of the first round from Sheffield. **5.30** Flog It!

**6.30** Some Mothers Do 'Av'e 'Em. Frank is introduced to the idea of fatherhood. (R)

**7.00** The Good Life. Tom hurts his back. (R)

**7.30** Dad's Army. Jones finds himself cast adrift. (R)

**8.00** TV 1973 - The Defining Shows. Mark Lawson examines the rise of television in 1973 and considers five of the most popular programmes of the year, including The Generation Game, That's Life! and The Onedin Line. (R)

**9.00** I Love 1971. A nostalgic look back at 1970s kitsch culture, focusing on 1971, the year of the Space Hopper, the Banana Splits and Middle of the Road's Chirpy, Chirpy, Cheep. (R)

**9.55** FILM: One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest. (1975) A convict gets sent to a psychiatric hospital, where he encourages the patients to rebel against the tyrannical head nurse. Drama, starring Jack Nicholson and Louise Fletcher.

**12.05** Snooker: The World Championship. **12.55** Snooker Extra. **2.55** Close.

**6.00** CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **8.25** Saturday Cookbook. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **10.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **11.20** The Real Housewives of New York City. **12.15** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **1.20** ITV News; Weather. **1.25** Film: Free Willy. (1993) Family drama, starring Jason James Richter. **3.35** The Planet's Funniest Animals. (R) **3.50** Film: The Mirror Crack'd. (1980) Miss Marple mystery, starring Angela Lansbury. **5.50** Regional News; Weather.

**6.00** ITV News; Weather. **6.15** Keith Lemon's LemonAid. With Emma Bunton and Tinchy Stryder.

**7.00** All New You've Been Framed! A comical barbecue scene.

**7.30** The Cube. A flight attendant and a sports fan take part. Phillip Schofield hosts.

**8.30** Britain's Got Talent. Simon Cowell, David Walliams, Amanda Holden and Alesha Dixon search for the nation's most impressive performers, sending through only the very best, while buzzing off the rest.

**9.45** Benidorm. Festive episode from Boxing Day 2010, guest starring Su Pollard, Louie Spence and Brian Murphy. (R)

**10.45** ITV News; Weather. **11.00** FILM: The Last Boy Scout. (1991) Action thriller, starring Bruce Willis.

**12.55** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **3.00** In Plain Sight. (R) **3.45** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

**6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** The Grid. **7.25** British GT. **7.55** The Morning Line. **8.55** The TV Book Club. **9.25** T4: Koko Pop. **10.00** T4: Made in Chelsea. **11.05** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **11.40** T4: The Big Bang Theory: Access All Areas. **12.15** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **12.50** Deal or No Deal. **1.50** Channel 4 Racing. **4.00** Come Dine with Me. (R) **4.30** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.00** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.30** Come Dine with Me. (R)

**6.00** Channel 4 News. **6.15** 4thought.tv. Chris Beverland reflects on the use of the Bible as a moral guide.

**6.20** FILM: The Italian Job. (1969) A crook puts together a plan to steal £4million in gold and make a quick getaway from central Turin in a fleet of Minis. Crime comedy, starring Michael Caine.

**8.10** Elizabeth Taylor: Auction of a Lifetime. An exploration of the actress's life through some of her most treasured possessions as they are sold at auction in London and New York. (R)

**9.45** The Million Pound Drop Live. Actor Chris O'Dowd and his TV presenter fiancée Dawn Porter compete. Last in the series.

**11.20** FILM: Top Gun. (1986) Adventure, with Tom Cruise.

**1.25** Film: Flight of the Phoenix. (2004) Adventure, starring Dennis Quaid. **3.15** Night Walking. (R) **3.20** Franklin & Bash. **4.00** St Elsewhere. (R) **4.50** Privileged. (R) **5.30** Countdown. (R)

**6.00** Milkshake! **10.00** Inside Hollywood. **10.10** The Restaurant Inspector. (R) **11.10** Rory McGrath's Pub Dig. (R) **12.10** Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers. (R) **1.10** Film: Trapeze. (1956) Circus drama, starring Burt Lancaster. **3.15** Film: The Vikings. (1958) Historical adventure, starring Kirk Douglas and Tony Curtis. **5.30** Film: Beetlejuice. (1988) Tim Burton's supernatural comedy, starring Michael Keaton.

**7.15** 5 News Weekend. **7.20** NCIS. Ducky makes a discovery during an autopsy on a woman who was beaten to death that prompts the agents to search for a missing infant. (R)

**8.10** NCIS. The team investigates the murder of a marine during a cruise and discovers the victim had turned his back on a life of privilege to join the military. (R)

**9.10** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. The team investigates the murder of a motorcycle gang member in a biker bar - but the case is complicated by the discovery that the victim was actually an undercover policeman.

**10.10** CSI: NY. The team investigates two deaths linked by unusual chewing gum.

**11.05** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. A woman claims to be a family's missing daughter.

**12.00** SuperCasino. **4.00** Great Artists. (R) **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Hana's Helpline. (R)

**ITV2**  
**3.55** All Star Family Fortunes **4.40** New You've Been Framed Top 100 Kids! **5.40** Film: Jurassic Park III (2001) **7.25** The Zoo **8.25** Super Tiny Animals **9.30** The Planet's Funniest Animals **9.45** Britain's Got More Talent **10.45** Celebrity Juice **11.30** Keith Lemon's LemonAid

**ITV3**  
**2.50** Hornblower **4.55** A Touch of Frost **7.00** Agatha Christie's Poirot **8.00** Doc Martin **9.00** Foy's War **11.00** Agatha Christie's Poirot

**ITV4**  
**11.00** Live Indian Premier League Cricket. Chennai Super Kings v Rajasthan Royals and Delhi DareDevils v Pune Warriors. **8.00** British Superbike Championship Highlights **9.00** British Touring Car Championship Highlights **10.30** Film: Kull the Conqueror (1997)

**BBC THREE**  
**7.00** Doctor Who **7.45** Doctor Who Confidential **8.00** Top Gear **9.00** Russell Howard's Good News Extra **9.45** Film: Kidulthood (2005) **11.15** Family Guy

**BBC FOUR**  
**7.00** South Pacific **8.00** City Beneath the Waves: Pavlopetri **9.00** The Bridge **11.00** Parkinson: The Interviews - David Niven **11.40** Top of the Pops: 1977

**E4**  
**2.05** Hollyoaks **4.35** Made in Chelsea **5.40** The Big Bang Theory **7.35** Rules of Engagement **8.30** Happy Endings **9.00** Film: Transporter 2 (2005) **10.45** The Big Bang Theory **11.40** The Cleveland Show

**FILM4**  
**3.00** A Matter of Life and Death (1946) **5.05** Poryo (2008) **7.10** Crocodile Dundee (1986) . Comedy adventure, written by and starring Paul Hogan, with Linda Kozlowski, John Meillon and Mark Blum. **9.00** Das Boot: The Director's Cut (1981). Extended cut of the Second World War drama, with Jürgen Prochnow and Herbert Grönemeyer.

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### ONCE UPON A TIME

Channel 5, 9pm

Since *Lost* finished, fans have been waiting for its successor, but all have come up short. *Once Upon a Time* has potential though, giving popular fairytales a modern twist, as well-known characters find themselves living in a New England town called Storybrooke due to the Dark Curse hanging over them all. This week, in fairytale land, Rumpelstiltskin (Robert Carlyle) persuades Cinderella (Jessy Schram) to sign a contract that she later realises means she has signed away the rights to her firstborn child. Meanwhile, in Storybrooke, Emma Swan (Jennifer Morrison) helps a young woman called Ashley with an uncanny likeness to Cinderella.

**6.00** Breakfast. **8.30** Athletics: The London Marathon. Live coverage of the 32nd staging of the annual event. **2.00** Sunday Politics: Weather for the Week Ahead. **3.05** Human Planet. (R) **4.05** Lifetime. **4.15** Songs of Praise. **5.00** Formula 1: Bahrain Grand Prix Highlights.

**6.20** BBC News: Regional News: Weather.

**6.45** Countryfile. Ellie Harrison visits the village of Botley, Hampshire. Including Weather for the Week Ahead.

**7.30** The Voice UK. Holly Willoughby and Reggie Yates host as the battle rounds come to an end, the original 40 acts are whittled down to 20 and the line-up for next week's first live show is decided.

**9.00** Silent Witness. Part one of two. There is little sympathy when a killer dies in his cell, but Leo's encounter with a dying ex-prison inspector compels him to investigate the notorious Redhill jail.

**10.00** BBC News: Regional News: Weather.

**10.25** Have I Got a Bit More News for You. With guest host Jo Brand.

**11.10** Room 101 - Extra Storage. Extended version of the comedy panel show.

**11.50** FILM: The Love Letter. (1999) Comedy drama based on the novel by Cathleen Schine, starring Kate Capshaw.

**1.15** Weatherview. **1.20** Sign Zone: Empire. (R) **2.20** Holby City. (R) **3.20** Antiques Road Trip. (R) **4.05** BBC News.

**6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** BBC. **7.35** Match of the Day. (R) **9.00** Natural World - The Chimpanzee Project. (R) **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.30** Great British Menu. (R) **12.00** Regional Programmes. **1.00** Escape to the Country. **2.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship. The latest first-round matches at the Crucible Theatre. **5.00** London Marathon 2012 Highlights.

**6.00** The Hairy Bikers' Bakeathon. Si King and Dave Myers go baking in Italy. (R)

**7.00** Frank Wild: Antarctica's Forgotten Hero. A profile of polar explorer Ernest Shackleton's second-in-command.

**8.00** Indian Ocean with Simon Reeve. New series. The broadcaster travels around the coast of the Indian Ocean.

**9.00** Ewan McGregor: Cold Chain Mission. Part one of two. Ewan McGregor uses a network of freezers, called cold chains, to preserve vaccines as he delivers them to the world's most remote regions.

**10.00** Match of the Day 2. Including highlights of Manchester United v Everton.

**11.10** Twenty Twelve. The team organises a sexual health campaign. Last in the series. (R)

**11.40** Grandma's House. Six months after Grandpa's death, Simon's prospects look bleak. (R)

**12.10** Snooker: The World Championship. **1.00** Formula 1: Bahrain Grand Prix Highlights. (R) **2.20** Snooker Extra.

**6.00** CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **8.25** Dinner Date. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** Ade in Britain. (R) **10.25** There's No Taste Like Home. (R) **11.30** Long Lost Family. (R) **12.30** ITV News: Weather. **12.35** Britain's Got Talent. (R) **1.50** The Planet's Funniest Animals. (R) **2.10** The Planet's Funniest Animals. (R) **2.35** Film: Columbo: Ashes to Ashes. (1998) Detective drama, starring Peter Falk and Patrick McGeehan. **4.30** The Betty Driver Story. (R) **5.30** You've Been Framed! (R)

**6.00** Harry Hill's The Best of TV Burp. (R)

**6.30** Regional News: Weather.

**6.45** ITV News: Weather. **7.00** All Star Family Fortunes. Emmerdale star Dominic Brunt (Paddy Kirk) and TV presenter Jenny Frost team up with their relatives in a bid to win a large cash prize for charity.

**8.00** Vera. New series. Return of the crime drama, starring Brenda Blethyn. The detective investigates a petrol-bomb attack on an ex-colleague and his daughter.

**10.00** ITV News at Ten: Weather.

**10.15** Perspectives: David Walliams: The Genius of Dahl. The Britain's Got Talent judge profiles children's author Roald Dahl.

**11.15** Premiership Rugby Union. Including highlights of Harlequins v Leicester Tigers.

**12.05** The Zone: ITV News Headlines. **3.00** British Superbike Championship Highlights. **3.50** ITV Nightscreen.

**6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.10** Road to London 2012: That Paralympic Show. (R) **7.35** Sailing: America's Cup Uncovered. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.55** Frasier. (R) **9.25** Frasier. (R) **10.00** Sunday Brunch. **12.00** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.25** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.55** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **1.25** The Simpsons. (R) **1.55** The Simpsons. (R) **2.25** Film: Jungle 2 Jungle. (1997) Comedy, starring Tim Allen. **4.25** Film: Coraline. (2009) Premiere. Stop-motion animated fantasy, with the voice of Dakota Fanning.

**6.25** Celebrity Deal or No Deal. Oily Murs takes part.

**7.20** Channel 4 News.

**7.50** 4thought.tv.

**7.55** Secrets of the Saxon Gold: A Time Team Special. An investigation of the Anglo-Saxon treasure hoard discovered in Staffordshire in 2009, and what analysis of the artefacts has revealed about Britain's Dark Ages.

**9.00** Homeland. Brody is officially approached about running for office, while Carrie and Saul identify Walker's contact. Drama, starring Damian Lewis and Claire Danes.

**10.00** FILM: East Is East. (1999) Comedy drama, starring Om Puri.

**11.55** FILM: Dabangg. (2010) Premiere. Musical crime drama, starring Salman Khan.

**2.10** Facejacker. (R) **2.35** Hit the Road Jack. (R) **3.20** Hollyoaks. (R) **5.30** Countdown. (R)

**6.00** Milkshake! Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowerbuds. (R) **6.25** City of Friends. (R) **6.35** Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) **6.50** Castle Farm. (R) **6.55** Igam Ogam. (R) **7.05** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.10** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.25** Family! (R) **7.35** Mio Mao. (R) **7.40** Noddy in Toyland. (R) **7.50** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **8.00** Little Princess. (R) **8.15** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.30** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.40** Rupert Bear. (R) **8.55** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.10** The Mr Men Show. (R) **9.20** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.35** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **10.00** Chinese Food in Minutes. (R) **10.10** Grey's Anatomy. (R) **11.05** Robson's Extreme Fishing Challenge. (R) **12.05** Police Interceptors. (R) **1.05** Cowboy Traders. (R) **2.05** Film: Corrina, Corrina. (1994) Family drama set in the 1950s, starring Whoopi Goldberg. **4.20** Film: The Water Horse: Legend of the Deep. (2007) Premiere. Children's fantasy adventure, starring Alex Etel.

**6.25** 5 News Weekend.

**6.30** FILM: The Magnificent Seven. (1960) Western, starring Yul Brynner.

**9.00** Once Upon a Time. Cinderella regrets making a deal with Rumpelstiltskin.

**10.00** FILM: A Perfect Murder. (1998) Thriller remake, starring Michael Douglas.

**12.10** 10 Things I Hate About. (R) **1.10** SuperCasino. **4.00** UEFA Europa League Highlights. **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. **5.45** Hana's Helpline. (R)

**ITV2**  
**4.35** Britain's Got Talent **5.50** Britain's Got More Talent **6.50** Film: Back to the Future Part II (1989) **9.00** Benidorm **10.00** The Only Way Is Essex **10.45** Oily: Life on Murs **11.45** Film: Bridget Jones's Diary (2001)

**ITV3**  
**3.55** Agatha Christie's Marple **6.00** Film: Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory (1971) **8.00** The Nation's Favourite Abba Song **9.30** Another Audience with Freddie Starr **10.30** Cracker **11.35** Agatha Christie's Marple

**ITV4**  
**11.00** Live Indian Premier League Cricket. Mumbai Indians v Kings XI Punjab and Deccan Chargers v Kolkata Knight Riders. **8.00** Premiership Rugby Union **9.00** Film: Fire Down Below (1997) **11.10** Film: Day of the Dead (2008)

**BBC THREE**  
**7.00** Great Movie Mistakes 2011: Not in 3D **7.15** Film: Father of the Bride Part II (1995) **9.00** Don't Tell the Bride USA **9.50** Don't Tell the Bride: Greatest Moments **10.00** Family Guy **11.05** American Dad! **11.50** Russell Howard's Good News

**BBC FOUR**  
**7.00** Frank Skinner on George Formby **8.00** Skippy: Australia's First Superstar **9.00** Film: Rabbit-Proof Fence (2002) **10.25** Mark Lawson Talks to Felicity Kendal **11.25** Kathleen Ferrier: An Ordinary Diva

**E4**  
**3.05** Ugly Betty **4.00** Glee **5.00** 90210 **5.55** The Big Bang Theory **6.55** Film: Edward Scissorhands (1990) **9.00** Desperate Housewives **11.00** Made in Chelsea

**FILM4**  
**3.10** The Belles of St Trinian's (1954) **5.00** Planet of the Apes (1968) **7.15** Post Grad (2009) **9.00** 10 Things I Hate About You (1999). Comedy, with Heath Ledger. **10.55** Crossing Over (2008). Drama, starring Harrison Ford.

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## Tuesday

**TV11** 6.30 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News. 2.55 Regional News: Weather. 2.00 60 Minutes. 3.00 The Big Breakfast. 4.00 The Big Regional Weather. 4.00 Rosemary & Thyme. (R) 5.00 The Chase. 6.00 Regional News: Weather. 6.25 Party Election Broadcast. 6.30 ITV News: Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Countrywise. 8.00 The Big Breakfast. 8.30 The Big Regional Weather. (R) 9.00 The Mighty Mississippi with Trevor McDonald. 10.00 ITV News at Ten. Weather. 10.30 Regional News: Weather. 10.35 The Battle for London — The Mayoral Debate. 11.45 The Big Breakfast. 12.00 The Big Regional News Headlines. 3.00 Crossing Jordan. (R) 3.45 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

**Channel 5** 6.00 Milkshake 9.15 *The Wright Stuff* 11.10 *Live with Us* 12.10 5 News Lunchtime. 12.15 *The Restaurant Inspector* (R) 1.15 *Home and Away* 1.45 *Neighbours* 2.15 *CSI: NY* (R) 3.15 *The Mentalist* 3.45 *CSI: NY* 4.00 *CSI: NY* 4.30 *Neighbours* (R) 6.00 *Home and Away* (R) 6.30 5 News at 6.30. 7.00 *Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers* (R) 8. News Update. 8.00 *Rory Scam* 8.30 *CSI: NY* 9.00 *CSI: NY* 9.30 *CSI: NY* 10.00 *CSI: NY* (R) 10.55 *CSI: Miami* (R) 11.50 *CSI: Crime Scene Investigation* (R) 12.50 *Inside Hollywood* 1.00 *SuperCasino* 1.30 *CSI: NY* 2.00 *CSI: NY* 2.30 *CSI: NY* 3.00 *Wild Challenge* 3.15 5.00 *Great Artists*. (R)

## Wednesday

**TV-14** 6.00 Daybreak, 8.30 Lorraine, 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show, 10.30 This Morning, 11.50 The Big Breakfast, 12.00 Loose Women, 1.30 ITV News: Weather, 2.00 The Bill, 2.30 The Bill, 3.00 The Bill, 3.30 Makeover, 3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal, 3.59 Regional Weather, 4.00 Rosemary & Thyme, (R) 4.00 The Chase, 6.00 Regional News: Weather, 6.25 Party Election Broadcast, 6.30 ITV News: Weather, 7.00 The Bill, 7.30 The Bill, 8.00 Champions League, Real Madrid v Bayern Munich (Kick-off 7.45pm), 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather, 10.30 Regional News: Weather, 10.35 UEFA Champions League: Extra Time, 11.35 Total Sportsworld, 11.55 UEFA Champions League: Headlines, 2.35 Film: The Pelican Brief, (1993). Legal thriller, starring Julia Roberts, 4.50 ITV News.

**Channel 5** 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff, 11.10 LIVE with... 12.10 5 News Lunchtime, 12.15 The restaurant Inspector, (R) 1.15 Home and Away, 1.45 Neighbours, 2.15 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation, (R) 3.15 Film: Love Begins (2011) Premiere, Drama prequel, Starring Wes Brown, 4.00 5 News at 4, 5.00 Neighbours, (R) 6.00 Home and Away, (R) 6.30 5 News at 6.30, 7.00 The Gadget Show: World Tour, (R) 5 News Update, 8.00 Cowboy Traders; 9 News at 9, 9.00 NCIS, 10.00 Law & Order: Criminal Intent, 11.00 5 News at 11, Special Victims Unit, (R) 11.30 Premier, (R) The Game 12.00 The Casino, 5.00 Rough Guide to Eco Escapes, (R) 4.20 Michaela's Wild Challenge, (R) 5.10 Great Artists, (R) 5.15

## Thursday

**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.30 BBC World News. 12.00 Daily Politics. 1.00 Live Snooker: The World Championship. Coverage of Ali Carter's first-round match. 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Antiques Road Trip. 7.30 Great British Menu. 8.00 Two Greedy Italians: Still Hungry. 9.00 Louis Theroux: Extreme Love – Dementia. 10.00 Grandma's House. 10.30 Newsnight. Weather. 11.20 Snooker: The World Championship. 12.10 Snooker Extra. 2.10 BBC News. 4.00 BBC Learning Zone.

**TV11** 6.00 Daybreak, 8.30. 11.00 Traine, 9.25 The  
Jeremy Kyle Show, 10.30 This Morning.  
12.30 Loose Women, 1.30 ITV News, Weather.  
1.55 Regional News: Weather, 2.00 60 Minutes  
2.55 Regional News: Dick Cavett, Real Life, 3.55  
Regional Weather, 4.00 Rosemary & Thelma, 5.00  
5.00 The Chase, 6.00 Regional News: Weather, 6.25  
Part 2 Election Broadcast, 6.30 ITV News, 7.00  
Weather, 7.00 Emmerdale, 7.30 is Britain Running  
Down?, 7.40 The Bill, 8.00 The Bill, 8.15 The Bill,  
8.30 Street, 9.00 Long Lost Family, 10.00 ITV News at  
Ten, Weather, 10.30 Regional News, Weather, 10.35  
10.35 Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Frank Bruno, 11.00  
(R) 11.35 The Cube, (R) 12.35 The Zone, 12.55  
12.55 The Zone, 1.00 The Zone, 1.00 The Zone,  
Tonight, (R) 3.00 ITV Nightscreen, 4.35 The  
Jeremy Kyle Show, (R) 5.30 ITV Morning News.


**Channel 5** 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff, 11.10 LIVE with... 12.10 5 News Lunchtime, 12.15 The Restaurant Inspector, (R) 1.15 Home and Away, 1.45 Neighbours, 2.15 CSI: NY, (R) 3.15 The Family Recipe, (R) 3.25 Film: Polar Storm, (2009) Premieres: Disaster thriller, starring Jack Coleman 5.00 5 News at 5, (R) 5.30 5 News at 6, (R) 6.00 Home and Away, (R) 6.30 5 News at 6.30, 6.55 Police Interceptors; (R) 5 News Update, 7.55 Live UEFA Europa League Football, Athletic Bilbao v Sporting Lisbon (Kick-off 8.05pm) 10.15 Film: Flight of Fury (R) Action thriller, starring Steven Seagal, with Super Hero 8.5pm (R) 10.15 Weekend Breaks, (R) 4.20 Michaela's Wild Challenge, (R) 5.10 Great Artists, (R) 5.15

## Friday

**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies, 7.00 CBBC, 8.30 CBeebies, 11.30 BBC World News.  
**12.00** Daily Politics, 1.00 Live Snooker: The World Championship. The second round at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield. 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is, 6.00 Eggheads, 6.30 Antiques Road Trip, 7.30 Great British Menu, 8.00 Mastermind, 8.30 Gardeners' World, 9.00 John Le Mesurier: It's All Been Rather Lovely, 10.00 QI, 10.30 News, 11.00 Weather, 11.05 Later with Jools Holland, 12.10 Snooker: The World Championship, 1.00 Snooker Extra, 3.00 BBC News, 4.05 Close.

**TV1** 6.00 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News: Weather. 1.55 Regional News: Weather. 2.00 60 Minute. 2.30 The Bill. 3.00 The Bill. 3.30 The Bill: Regional Weather. 4.00 Rosemary & Thyme. (R) 5.00 The Chase. 6.00 Regional News: Weather. 6.25 Party Election Broadcast. 6.30 ITV News: News at Six. 7.00 The Bill. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Poms in Paradise. 8.30 Coronation Street. 9.00 Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Carol Vorderman. 9.30 ITV News at Ten: Weather. 10.00 Regional News: Weather. 10.30 The Bill. 11.00 The Bill: Coming-of-age comedy, with Jason Biggs. 12.20 The Store: ITV News Headlines. 2.35 Film: Lover. 3.00 The Bill. 3.30 The Bill: The Bill: Stirring Doris Day and Rock Hudson. 4.20 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

**Channel 5** 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The  
Tonight Show. 11.10 LIVE  
with. 12.10 5 News Lunchtime. 12.15 Giant Animal  
Moves. (R) 1.15 Home and Away. 1.45 Neighbours.  
2.15 NCIS. (R) 3.15 Inside Hollywood. 3.20 Film:  
Jane Doe: How to Fire Your Boss. (2007) Murder  
mystery, starring Lee Thompson. 5.00 5 News at 5.  
6.30 Neighbours. (R) 6.00 Home and Away. 6.30  
6.30 5 News at 6.30. 7.00 Robson's Extreme  
Fishing Challenge: (R) 5 News Update. 8.00 Dirty  
Great Machines: 5 News at 9. 9.00 The Mentalist.  
10.00 Castle. 10.55 Law & Order: Criminal Intent.  
(R) 11.55 Inside Hollywood. 12.00 SuperCasino.  
12.00 5 News at 12.00. 12.10 Wild About  
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- Two reception rooms
- Utility room and downstairs wc
- Well equipped dining kitchen in oven and hob
- UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Splendid fitted bathroom with P shaped bath
- Substantial 25th x 10th garage/outbuilding
- Enclosed low maintenance rear garden with feature Key pool and pergola

**£320,000 OFFERS**



**WILLENHALL**  
**WATKINS ROAD**

- Extended semi detached property
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Double glazed windows
- Spacious 18ft extended rear lounge
- Dining room and breakfast kitchen
- Downstairs wc
- Utility room and study/occasional bedroom four
- Attractive rear garden

**WAS £147,500, NOW £144,995**



**WILLENHALL**  
**WILLENHALL ROAD**

- Traditional style semi detached property
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating system
- Double glazing
- Upstairs bathroom with shower
- 24th through lounge/dining room
- Generous rear garden
- Off road parking

**£120,000 OFFERS**



**WILLENHALL, NEAR STROUD AVE**  
**BENTON CLOSE**

- Deceptively spacious and town house style property
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Lounge and dining/living room
- Large 25th fitted dining kitchen in oven and hob
- Upstairs bathroom with shower
- Victorian style roll top bath
- Enclosed rear garden
- Black paved driveway

**£114,995 NO CHAIN**



**WILLENHALL**  
**DARVEL ROAD**

- Town house style property in popular location off Stroud Avenue in Willenhall
- Three bedrooms
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Part electric storage heating
- Spacious 19ft rear lounge/dining room
- Upstairs bathroom with shower
- Garage and off road parking
- Enclosed rear garden
- Internal viewing recommended

**£114,995**



**NEW INVENTION**  
**SQUIRES GROVE**

- Well appointed modern style town house
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating, UPVC double glazing
- En-suite shower room
- Fitted dining kitchen including oven and hob
- 17th floor lounge
- Downstairs guest bedroom with wc
- Enclosed rear garden
- Off road parking to the rear
- No upward chain

**£136,500 OFFERS**



**WILLENHALL**  
**BARNETT ROAD**

- Considerably improved semi detached property in generous corner plot position
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Double glazed windows
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Spacious 25th through lounge/dining room
- Fitted kitchen in oven and hob
- Spacious 18ft extended rear lounge
- Garage converted into sitting/utility room
- Ideal property for the family purchaser

**£120,000**



**NEW INVENTION**  
**DORCHESTER ROAD**

- Pleasantly appointed, deceptively spacious town house style property
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Extended UPVC double glazed windows
- 18th fitted dining kitchen
- Rear lounge
- Downstairs wc
- Enclosed rear garden

**£92,950**



**WILLENHALL**  
**DERWENT CLOSE**

- Superbly appointed modern style semi detached property in popular development
- Ideal first time purchase
- Two bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Open plan lounge/kitchen including appliances
- Refitted bathroom with shower
- Enclosed rear garden
- Internal viewing strongly recommended

**£110,000**



**COPPICE FARM**  
**COTSWOLD GROVE**

- Pleasant first floor maisonette being delightfully situated in purpose built development
- One bedroom
- Electric storage heating
- Double glazed windows
- 70% SHARED OWNERSHIP
- Bathroom with shower
- Communal gardens and parking
- Age restriction, 55 years old minimum

**£54,995**



**SUMMER HAYES**  
**PERRY HALL DRIVE**

- Semi detached dormer bungalow
- Two first floor bedrooms
- One downstairs bedroom
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazing
- Fitted kitchen in oven and hob
- 29th side garage
- Bathroom with shower
- Block paved driveway

**was £129,950, now £125,000**



**NEW INVENTION**  
**BALMORAL DRIVE**

- Pleasantly appointed extended detached property
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Lounge and dining rooms
- Side entry with utility room/downstairs wc
- Upstairs bathroom with shower
- Part double glazing
- Popular location
- Viewing recommended

**NOW £128,000 OFFERS**



**NEW INVENTION**  
**BEACON ROAD**

- Traditional style semi detached property
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Refitted dining kitchen in oven and hob
- Upstairs bathroom with shower
- Front and rear gardens
- Part double glazing
- Viewing recommended

**NOW £108,000 OFFERS**



**NEW INVENTION**  
**BRERETON ROAD**

- Pleasantly appointed semi detached property
- Ideal first time purchase
- Two bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Upstairs fitted bathroom
- Double glazed windows
- Part double glazing
- Enclosed rear garden
- Off road parking

**NOW £94,500**



**NEW INVENTION, WILLENHALL**  
**CRAB LANE**

- Extended three bedroom detached property
- Semi internal modernisation required
- Excellent potential to improve and extend (EPC's)
- Gas warm air central heating system
- UPVC double glazed windows
- 18th rear lounge, separate dining/living room
- Kitchen and utility room
- 29th double garage
- Driveway to the rear

**WAS £159,950, NOW £156,950 NO CHAIN**



**WILLENHALL, OFF STROUD AVE**  
**NEWENT CLOSE**

- Pleasantly appointed extended detached family residence
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Double glazed windows
- Fitted dining kitchen including oven and hob
- Shower room
- Gardens to front and rear
- Ample off road parking
- Internal viewing strongly recommended

**£134,950 NO CHAIN**



**WILLENHALL, OFF STROUD AVE**  
**LYNDYNE CLOSE**

- Pleasantly appointed extended semi detached property
- Call-de-se position
- Four bedrooms
- Gas central heating system
- Double glazed windows
- Two reception rooms
- Refitted kitchen including oven and hob
- Enclosed rear garden
- Forageable and off road parking

**£156,500 OFFERS**



**SUMMER HAYES**  
**EDINBURGH DRIVE**

- Pleasantly appointed versatile semi detached property
- Three bedrooms
- Double glazed windows, gas central heating system
- 17th front lounge with feature fireplace
- Dining room and downstairs bedroom
- Shower
- UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Two first floor bedrooms and bathroom
- Fitted breakfast kitchen
- Carpet and off road parking

**£159,950 OFFERS**



**WILLENHALL, NR BROAD LANE NORTH**  
**WYVERN CLOSE**

- Semi detached property with some internal modernisation required
- Three bedrooms, two with fitted wardrobes
- Refitted shower room
- Newly fitted gas central heating
- Double glazed windows
- Upstairs bathroom with shower
- Part double glazing
- Enclosed rear garden
- Garage and off road parking

**£129,995 OFFERS, NO CHAIN**



**COPPICE FARM**  
**BOWNESS GROVE**

- Superb modern detached residence
- Call-de-se position
- Three generous bedrooms
- En-suite shower room
- Excellent refitted kitchen including oven and hob
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Spacious 18th rear lounge, separate dining/living room
- Garage divided into study and storage room
- Kitchen and utility room
- 29th double garage
- Driveway to the rear

**£188,500**



**COPPICE FARM**  
**KESTREL GROVE**

- Pleasantly appointed modern style detached family residence
- Call-de-se position
- Four bedrooms and en-suite shower
- Two reception rooms
- Superb UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Fitted kitchen with oven and hob
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Internal viewing strongly recommended

**£215,000 OFFERS**



**COUNTY BRIDGE, WILLENHALL**  
**CRONATION AVENUE**

- Superbly appointed traditional style bay fronted semi detached bungalow
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Kitchen with adjacent hall/study
- Downstairs wc
- Upstairs bathroom with shower
- Garage and block paved driveway

**WAS £129,950, NOW £127,500**



**WILLENHALL**  
**KNIGHTS CLOSE**

- Pleasantly appointed versatile semi detached residence
- Refitted kitchen with dressing area & en-suite
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows
- 17th front lounge with feature fireplace
- Dining room and downstairs bedroom
- Shower
- UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Two first floor bedrooms and bathroom
- Fitted breakfast kitchen
- Carpet and off road parking

**£229,950 OFFERS, VIEWING ESSENTIAL**



**COPPICE FARM**  
**TORRIDON ROAD**

- Pleasant modern style two bedroom detached bungalow
- Delightful cul-de-sac location
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Well equipped breakfast kitchen with oven, hob, fridge and
- Lounge with access to the rear garden
- Bathrooms with shower
- Enclosed rear garden
- Garage and off road parking

**£125,000 OFFERS, NO CHAIN**



**SUMMER HAYES**  
**LUDLOW CLOSE**

- Splendidly appointed link detached bungalow set in private drive position
- Two bedrooms
- Gas central heating, UPVC double glazed windows
- Superb UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Spacious 18th rear lounge, separate dining/living room
- Shaped rear bath and shower
- Kitchen and utility room
- Generous plot with lovely adjacent mature sitting

**£179,950 OFFERS**



**SHORT HEATH**  
**WESLEY ROAD**

- Superb Victorian style terraced residence
- Charming character accommodation
- Two bedrooms
- Two reception rooms
- Victorian style bathroom with roll top bath
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Viewing essential

**£110,000 NO CHAIN**



**WILLENHALL**  
**RAVENSCROFT ROAD**

- Pleasantly appointed detached double bungalow
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows
- 23rd fitted breakfast kitchen
- Superb UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Fully tiled shower room with walk-in shower
- Lavender enclosed rear garden with feature
- Double patio
- Block paved driveway offering ample parking
- Refitted kitchen with oven, hob, fridge and
- Internal viewing strongly recommended

**£189,950 OFFERS**



**COPPICE FARM**  
**KINGFISHER GROVE**

- Pleasantly appointed modern style two bedroom detached residence
- Refitted kitchen with dressing area & en-suite
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows
- 17th front lounge with feature fireplace
- Dining room and downstairs bedroom
- Shower
- UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Two first floor bedrooms and bathroom
- Fitted breakfast kitchen
- Carpet and off road parking

**NOW £215,000 OFFERS**



**NEW INVENTION**  
**MOORE ROAD**

- Superbly appointed semi detached property
- Deceptively spacious accommodation
- Three bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom with shower
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Off road parking to the rear
- Gas central heating, UPVC double glazed windows
- Enclosed rear garden
- Black paved driveway

**OFFERS IN EXCESS OF £114,000**



**SHORT HEATH**  
**COLTHAM ROAD**

- Charming Victorian style terrace
- Thought ideal for first time purchasers
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Two reception rooms
- Fitted kitchen with appliances
- Rear garden
- Allotment parking space to the rear

**OFFERS IN EXCESS OF £99,950**



**DARLASTON**  
**WOLVERHAMPTON STREET**

- Spacious first floor flat in convenient location
- Two bedrooms
- Gas warm air central heating system
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Spacious 18th lounge
- Kitchen and shower room
- Communal entrance with security intercom

**£64,950 OFFERS, NO CHAIN**

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**Tameside Close Willenhall**  
• Modern Middle Town House  
• Five Bedrooms!  
• Gas Central Heating  
• UPVC Double Glazing  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£144,950**



**Sneyd Lane Wolverhampton**  
• 4 Bedroom Detached Home  
• Extended and Much Improved  
• Central Heating and Double Glazing  
• No Upward Chain  
OFFERS AROUND:  
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**Brunsloe Close Willenhall**  
• Ground Floor Flat  
• Well Presented Throughout  
• Gas Central Heating  
• Upvc Double Glazing  
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**Cedar Road Willenhall**  
• Extended Semi-Detached  
• 3 Bedrooms with Balcony off Master  
• Double Glazing  
• Warm air Central Heating  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£134,950**



**Newman Avenue Wolverhampton**  
• Ground Floor  
• Double Bedroom  
• NO UPWARD CHAIN  
• Gas Central Heating  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£64,950**



**Pooles Lane Willenhall**  
• Extended Semi-Detached  
• Much Improved  
• 2 Bedrooms  
• Central Heating and Double Glazing  
OFFERS AROUND:  
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**Frost Street Wolverhampton**  
• Spacious 3 Storey Town-House  
• 3/4 Bedrooms  
• Reception Hall  
• 2 Reception Rooms  
OFFERS AROUND:  
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**Willenhall Road Wolverhampton** **REDUCED**  
• 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached  
• No Upward Chain  
• Double Glazing  
• Reception Hall  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£83,000**



**Hadley Road Bilston** **REDUCED**  
• Semi Detached Bungalow  
• Gas Central Heating  
• Double Glazing  
• Porch & Reception Hall  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£119,000**



**Weston Drive Bilston** **REDUCED**  
• Modern 3 Bedroom Detached  
• Central Heating & Double Glazing  
• Reception Hall & Guest WC  
• Lounge & Dining Room  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£149,950**



**Terrace Villas Darlaston** **REDUCED**  
• Extended Semi detached  
• Improved And Upgraded  
• 5 Bedrooms  
• Central heating and double glazing  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£185,000**



**Devon Road Willenhall**  
• 3 Bedroom Traditional Semi  
• Extended and Well Presented  
• No Upward Chain  
• Central Heating and Double Glazing  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£114,950**



**Fawley Close Willenhall**  
• 3 Bed Detached House  
• UPVC double glazing  
• Entrance Hall  
• Fitted Kitchen Diner  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£149,950**



**James Street Willenhall**  
• Spacious Traditional Semi  
• 3 Double Bedrooms  
• Central Heating and Part Double Glazing  
• Desirable Location Close to Park  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£175,000**



**Ada Wrighton Close Willenhall**  
• Well Presented Link-Detached House  
• 3 Good Bedrooms  
• Central Heating and Double Glazing  
• Garage and Drive  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£149,995**



**Evans Street Willenhall**  
• Semi detached  
• 3 bedroom  
• No upward chain  
• Lounge  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£90,000**



**Uplands Grove Willenhall**  
• Extended Semi-Detached  
• Central Heating and Double Glazing  
• Quiet Cul-De-Sac Location  
• No Upward Chain  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£105,000**



**Wiley Avenue Darlaston** **NEW**  
An Extended 2 bedroom semi detached home, being gas centrally heated and double glazed and briefly comprising a reception hall, guest WC, through lounge/diner, recently re-fitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms, fitted bathroom with separate shower cubicle, substantial rear garden and off road parking.  
Viewing: 0121 505 3533 **£84,995**



**HIGH STREET Moxley**  
A refurbished 3 bedroom and terrace home. The property is centrally heated and double glazed and has excellent commuter transport links. The spacious accommodation briefly comprises a reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen/diner, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom and an enclosed rear low maintenance garden.  
Viewing: 0121 505 3533 **£94,995**



**Crawford Avenue Darlaston**  
Presenting a 3 bedroom and terrace dwelling. The property, which benefits gas central heating and double glazed windows is located in a cul-de-sac location and has accommodation that comprises reception hall, lounge, feature fitted breakfast kitchen, utility room, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, enclosed rear garden and block paved driveway providing off road parking for up to 2 cars.  
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**Hawkswell Drive Willenhall**  
• Modern Semi Detached  
• 2 Bedrooms  
• Gas Central Heating  
• UPVC double glazed window  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£110,000**



**Delamere Road Willenhall**  
• Well Presented Semi-Detached  
• 3 Good Bedrooms  
• Gas Central Heating  
• UPVC Double Glazing  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£134,950**



**Wolverhampton Broad Lane South**  
• Impressive Family Home  
• Extended and Upgraded  
• Bought After Location  
• 4 Good Bedrooms  
Viewing 01902 633323



• Central Heating and Double Glazing  
• 3 Reception Rooms  
• 21ft Luxury Breakfast Kitchen  
• Utility Room and Guest WC  
OFFERS AROUND:  
**£389,950**



**Noose Lane Willenhall**  
• Large Detached Bungalow  
• 3 Double Bedrooms  
• Central Heating and Majority Double Glazing  
• Living Room  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£189,950**



**Eaton Rise Willenhall**  
• Extended Detached Bungalow  
• Generous Corner Plot  
• 3 Bedrooms  
• Adjoining 33ft Annex  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£179,995**



**Collins Road Wednesbury** **NEW**  
A well presented 3 bedroom semi detached home. The property is gas centrally heated and double glazed (as specified) and has accommodation to comprise a reception hall, lounge with feature fireplace, fitted kitchen, dining room, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, enclosed rear garden, garage to the rear and off road parking.  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 0121 505 3533 **£105,000**



**Hales Road Wednesbury**  
A well presented 3 bedroom semi detached home. The property is double glazed and centrally heated (as specified) and is offered with speed deal. The accommodation, which is located on a generous corner plot is comprised of a UPVC storm door and comprises a reception hall, fitted breakfast kitchen, lounge, dining room, UPVC conservatory, 3 bedrooms, master bedroom with ensuite shower and separate shower cubicle and off road parking for up to 3 cars.  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 0121 505 3533 **£124,995**



**Cedar Road Willenhall**  
• 2 Bedroom Semi Bungalow  
• In Need of Upgrading  
• Cul-de-Sac Location  
• Gas Central Heating  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£84,950**



**Sandringham Avenue Willenhall**  
• Three bed detached  
• 200ft Rear Garden With Decked Area  
• 20ft Lounge  
• Guest W.c  
OFFERS AROUND:  
Viewing: 01902 633323 **£182,000**

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**Bloxwich  
Kedleston Close**  
● Four Bedroom Detached  
● Lounge/Dining Room/Kitchen  
● Study/Games Room/Utility/En-Suite  
● Guest Cloakroom/Conservatory  
● Family Bathroom/Detached Garage

**In the Region of £239,950**



**Bloxwich  
Belfry Close**  
● Four Bedroom Detached  
● Two Reception Rooms  
● Central Heating/Double Glazing  
● Garage/Front & Rear Gardens  
● Off Road Parking/No Upward Chain

**Offers in excess of £219,950**



**Bloxwich  
Field Road**  
● Four Bedroom Semi-Detached  
● Fully Re-Furb'd/Two Reception Rooms  
● Re-Fitted Kitchen/Conservatory  
● Utility Room/WC/Family Bathroom  
● Rear Garden/Garages & Workshop

**Offers in excess of £200,000**



**Walsall  
Birmingham Road**  
● Five Bedroom Victorian Family Home  
● Two Reception Rooms  
● Extended Kitchen/Dining Room  
● Guest Cloakroom/Family Bathroom  
● Dressing Room/Rear Garden

**Offers in excess of £199,950**



**Willenhall  
Essington Road**  
● Four Bed Three Storey End-Terrace  
● Double Glazing/Central Heating  
● Lounge/Dining Room/Utility  
● Fitted Kitchen/Bedroom with En-Suite  
● Garage/Brick built Summerhouse

**Offers in excess of £199,950**



**Bloxwich  
Broad Lane**  
● Four Bedroom Semi-Detached  
● Fitted Kitchen with Appliances  
● Lounge/Diner/Cloakroom W.C.  
● Family Bathroom/Front & Rear Gardens  
● Garage & Off Road Parking

**In the Region of £199,950**



**Essington  
Albany Grove**  
● Four Bedroom Detached  
● Two Reception Rooms  
● Extended Kitchen/Conservatory  
● Family Bathroom/Front & Rear Gardens  
● Carport & Garage/Driveway

**Offers in excess of £195,000**



**Willenhall  
Crab Lane**  
● Four Bedroom Link-Detached  
● Through Lounge/Diner/Kitchen  
● Ground Floor Shower Room  
● First Floor Shower Room/Utility Room  
● Garage & Off Road Parking/Gardens

**In the Region of £183,950**



**Bloxwich  
Selsdon Road**  
● Three Bedroom Detached  
● Two Reception Rooms  
● Kitchen/Cloakroom W.C.  
● Family Bathroom/Front & Rear Gardens  
● Garage & Off Road Parking

**In the Region of £179,950**



**Walsall  
Liskeard Road**  
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached  
● Through Lounge/Dining Room  
● Fitted Kitchen/Integral Garage  
● Family Bathroom & Separate W.C.  
● Rear Garden/Off Road Parking

**Offers in excess of £170,000**



**Willenhall  
Wood Lane**  
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached  
● Open Plan Lounge/Dining Room  
● Fitted Kitchen/Family Bathroom  
● Conservatory/Garage/Workshop  
● Gardens/Off Road Parking

**Offers in excess of £170,000**



**Bloxwich  
Broad Lane**  
● Extended Four Bedroom Detached  
● Two Reception Rooms  
● Large Kitchen/Family Bathroom  
● Large Rear Garden/Off Road Parking  
● Part Double Glazed & Central Heating

**Offers in excess of £165,000**



**Walsall  
Leamore Lane**  
● Three Bedroom Town House  
● Kitchen/Diner/Study/Cloakroom W.C.  
● First Floor Lounge/Family Bathroom  
● En-Suite Shower Room/Gardens  
● Detached Garage

**In the Region of £145,950**



**Walsall  
Leamore Lane**  
● Three Bedroom Town House  
● Lounge/Kitchen/Diner  
● En-Suite/Family Bathroom  
● Front & Rear Gardens/Garage  
● Off Road Parking to Rear

**Offers in excess of £140,000**



**Bloxwich  
Well Lane**  
● Three Bedroom Detached  
● Lounge/Diner  
● Family Bathroom with separate W.C.  
● Integral Garage/Front & Rear Gardens  
● Large Driveway

**Offers in excess of £130,000**



**Rushall  
King George Crescent**  
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached  
● Two Reception Rooms  
● Fitted Kitchen/Family Bathroom  
● Double Glazing/Gas Central Heating  
● Garden/Driveway/NO CHAIN

**In the Region of £130,000**



**Walsall  
Lumley Road**  
● Three Bedroom Mid-Terrace  
● Two Reception Rooms  
● Extended Kitchen/Family Bathroom  
● Front & Rear Gardens  
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating

**Offers in excess of £125,000**



**Walsall  
Smiths Flour Mill**  
● Two Bedroom Penthouse Apartment  
● Lounge/Family Bathroom  
● Integrated Kitchen  
● Electric Heating & Double Glazing  
● Secure Allocated Parking

**Offers in excess of £125,000**



**Bloxwich  
Raymond Close**  
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached  
● Lounge/Kitchen/Diner  
● Shower Room/Separate W.C.  
● Integral Garage/Front & Rear Gardens  
● Off Road Parking

**Offers in excess of £120,000**



**Bloxwich  
Gleneagles Road**  
● Two Bedroom Terrace  
● Lounge/Kitchen/Diner  
● Bathroom Double Glazing  
● Central Heating/Front Driveway  
● Rear Garden

**Offers in excess of £115,000**



**Willenhall  
Rosewood Drive**  
● Two Bedroom Mid-Terrace  
● Lounge/Kitchen/Diner  
● Family Bathroom  
● Front & Rear Gardens  
● Double Glazing/Gas Central Heating

**In the Region of £112,500**



**Bloxwich  
Beeches Road**  
● Two Bedroom Semi Detached  
● Lounge/Kitchen/Diner  
● Utility/Family Bathroom  
● Large Rear Garden/Off Road Parking  
● Corner Plot with room to extend

**Offers in excess of £105,000**



**Walsall  
Hale Court**  
● Two Bedroom First Floor Apartment  
● Lounge/Fitted kitchen/Bathroom  
● Electric Heating/Double Glazing  
● Allocated Parking/Garage to Rear  
● NO UPWARD CHAIN

**Offers in excess of £100,000**



**Rushall  
Springfields**  
● Three Bedroom End Terrace  
● Entrance Hall/Lounge  
● Kitchen/Diner/Bathroom  
● Patio Area/Gas Central Heating  
● Double Glazing/Front & Rear Gardens

**Offers in excess of £98,950**



**Bloxwich  
Hawbush Road**  
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached  
● Lounge/Kitchen/Diner  
● Utility Area/Cloakroom W.C.  
● Family Bathroom/Rear Garden  
● Off Road Parking

**Offers in excess of £95,000**



**Willenhall  
Argyll Court, Essington Road**  
● Two Bed Ground Floor Apartment  
● Inner Reception Hall/Lounge  
● Fitted Kitchen/Allocated Parking  
● Intercom Access/Family Bathroom  
● D.Glazing & G.C.Heating

**In the Region of £93,950**



**Walsall  
Manorhouse Close**  
● Three Bedroom Top Floor Apartment  
● Allocated Parking for 2 cars  
● Double Glazing Gas Central Heating  
● Family Bathroom/Lounge/Kitchen  
● Cloakroom/Storage Cupboard

**Offers in excess of £90,000**



**Bloxwich  
Victoria Avenue**  
● Two Bedroom End-Terrace  
● Two Reception Rooms/Kitchen  
● Ground Floor Bathroom  
● Boarded Loft with Velux Window  
● Rear Garden with Side Plot/Parking

**In the Region of £89,950**



**Walsall  
Bryan Road**  
● Two Bed Mid Terrace  
● Lounge/Kitchen/Diner  
● Family Bathroom  
● Front and Rear Gardens  
● Private parking/NO CHAIN

**Offers in excess of £85,000**



**Bloxwich  
Pershore Road**  
● Three Bedroom Mid-Terrace  
● Lounge/Dining Room  
● Kitchen/Family Bathroom  
● Double Glazed/Central Heating  
● Rear Garden/Off Road Parking

**In the Region of £84,950**



**Bloxwich  
Archer Road**  
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached  
● Lounge/Kitchen/Diner  
● Double Glazing/Gas Central Heating  
● Front & Rear Gardens  
● Off Road Parking/NO CHAIN

**Offers in excess of £82,000**



**Bloxwich  
Evesham Crescent**  
● Two Bedroom End-Terrace  
● Lounge/Kitchen  
● Family Bathroom/Brick Out Buildings  
● Front & Rear Gardens  
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating

**In the Region of £75,000**



**Walsall  
Ashfield Close**  
● Three Bedroom End-Terrace  
● Lounge/Kitchen/Diner  
● Family Bathroom/Gas Central Heating  
● Double Glazing  
● Front & Rear Gardens/NO CHAIN

**In the Region of £73,995**



**Willenhall  
Argyll Court, Essington Road**  
● One Bedroom Apartment  
● Lounge/Fitted Kitchen  
● Secure Communal Entrance  
● Communal Grounds  
● Secure Allocated Parking

**In the Region of £67,950**



**Bloxwich  
Booth Street**  
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached  
● Lounge/Kitchen/Cloakroom W.C.  
● Shower Room/Front & Rear Gardens  
● Ideal for First Time Buyer/Investor  
● NO CHAIN

**Offers in excess of £65,000**



**Bloxwich  
Oak Crescent**  
● Two Bedroom Semi-Detached  
● Two Reception Rooms  
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● Gardens/Off Road Parking  
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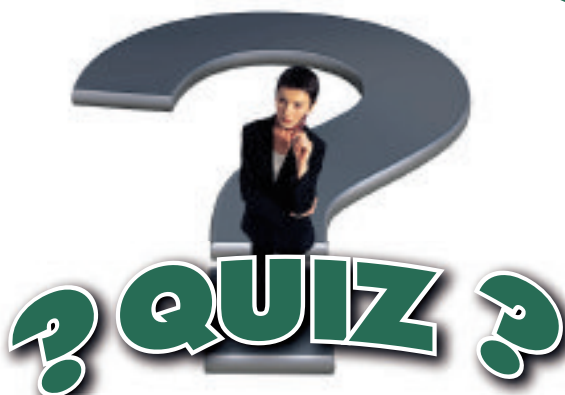




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- Conservatory
- Side Garage

OFFERS £169,950



FLINKFORD CLOSE, PARK HALL, WALSALL

- Spacious 3 bed mid town house
- Central heating and double glazing
- Reception hall
- Lounge/dining are • Rear conservatory
- Kitchen and utility area
- Bathroom with white suite
- Integral garage
- Easily maintained rear garden

OFFERS £159,950



HODSON AVENUE, WILLENHALL

- Semi-Detached Residence
- Three Bedrooms
- Central Heating & Double Glazing
- Two Reception Rooms
- Detached Garage
- Large Rear Garden

OFFERS £105,000



WORCESTER ROAD, WILLENHALL

- Three Bedroomed Semi
- Gas Central Heating
- Extensive Double Glazing
- Two Reception Rooms
- Fitted Kitchen
- Off-road Parking Facilities

OFFERS £89,950



SHERIDAN CLOSE, WALSALL

- Mid Terrace Bungalow for over 55's
- Double Glazing and Storage Heating
- Lounge with doors to Communal Gardens
- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen
- Shower Room with WC
- Communal Parking

OFFERS £75,000



COTSWOLD GROVE, COPPICE FARM, WILLENHALL

- Ground floor Apartment for over 55's
- Popular Quiet Cul-de-Sac Location
- One bedroom with built-in wardrobes
- Double Glazing & Electric Storage Heating
- Bathroom having shower above bath
- Attractive communal gardens
- Communal parking

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KING GEORGE CRESCENT, RUSHALL

- Semi-Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Downstairs WC
- DG & GCH
- Driveway

£525pcm



WALSALL ROAD, WILLENHALL

- End Terrace
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge & Kitchen
- Bathroom, GCH, DG
- En-suite & D/stairs WC
- Parking & Garden

£510pcm



COBDEN STREET, DARLASTON

- Mid Terrace House
- Two Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Lobby With Cellar Off
- Kitchen With hob & oven
- Downstairs wc
- Second Floor Bathroom With Shower
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Wider Than Average Rear Garden

£495pcm



OLD PARK ROAD, DUDLEY

- Detached Property
- Refurbished
- Three Bedrooms
- Dining/Kitchen
- Lounge & Bathroom
- UPVC DG & GCH

£475pcm



PARK AVENUE, ROWLEY REGIS

- Semi-Detached
- Lounge & Bathroom
- Kitchen/Dining Area
- Two Bedrooms
- Double Glazing
- Gas central Heating

£415pcm



CHURCH STREET, DARLASTON

- Newly Refurbished
- Ground Floor Flat
- One Bedroom
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Shower Room
- Double Glazing, Electric Heating

£375pcm



FAIRLAWN WAY, WILLENHALL

- First Floor Flat
- Living Room
- Kitchen
- One Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating

£325pcm



BIRMINGHAM STREET, WILLENHALL

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- One Bedroom
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- Gas Central Heating
- Allocated Parking Space

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## Bilston Lane, Willenhall



**£87,500**

A well presented two bedroom terraced home situated in a convenient location. Benefitting from a block paved driveway to the rear. A viewing is essential. Would make an excellent first home. Viewings by appointment.

## Larchmere Drive, Essington



**£300,000**

A stunning ultra modern home with five bedrooms, two bathrooms and impressive kitchen. Comprises of two reception rooms, conservatory and front and rear gardens. A viewing is absolutely essential to appreciate the attention to detail that has gone into this home.

## PROPERTY OF THE WEEK



## Ratcliffe Drive, Willenhall



**£210,000**

Four bedroom detached home situated on the 'Scholars Heath' development and comprising; two reception rooms, fitted kitchen, conservatory, en suite and bathroom.

## Withywood Close, Willenhall



**£250,000**

A 4/5 Bedroom detached home situated on a generous corner plot on the popular Sneyd Park development. Benefitting from garage and driveway. Also boasts an ANNEXE, suitable as a granny flat with lounge/bedroom or extra family space with Study/playroom.

**NEW INSTRUCTION**

## RECENT PRICE REDUCTIONS!!



### Thompson Street, Willenhall

A well presented and spacious traditional four bedroom, three reception room detached home situated on a sizeable plot within the confines of 'The Manor' which is extremely prestigious and sought after since the late 1800's in Willenhall. No upward chain. **£23,000**



### Highmoor Close, Willenhall

A four bedroom detached home situated in a cul-de-sac location on the popular Coppice Farm development. Benefitting from a driveway and having been extended to add a further reception room. Priced to sell and offered with no upward chain! **£180,000**



### Dilloways Lane, Willenhall

A newly refurbished and extended two bedroom detached bungalow. Benefitting from a complete refurbishment and benefiting from an extra special luxurious kitchen/diner. Offered with no upward chain! **£145,000**



### Partridge Avenue, Wednesbury

A well presented three bedroom end-terrace home benefiting from a cul-de-sac location, conservatory and rear corner plot offering a larger than average rear garden. A viewing is essential to appreciate this home. Ideal first time buy! No upward chain! **£100,000**

## Lochalsh Grove, Willenhall



**£225,000**

A stunning show-home style four bedroom, two bathroom detached home situated on the popular Coppice Farm development. Benefitting from complete refurbishment, conservatory, kitchen and secluded garden. Viewing recommended!

## Kewstoke Road, Willenhall



**£125,000**

Three bedroom semi-detached home situated on the extremely sought after 'Sneyd Park' development. Having been extensively refitted and improved by its current owners this is definitely one to view! Viewings by appointment.

## Westbourne Road, Wednesbury



**£125,000**

**NEW**

A stunning three bedroom semi-detached home situated in Darlaston. Having been extensively improved by its present owner benefiting from an extended kitchen/diner and open plan conservatory off the lounge onto rear garden.

## Bowker Street, Willenhall



**£190,000**

A detached bungalow comprising lounge diner, breakfast kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, rear garden, detached garage, workshop and games room.

## John Riley Drive, Willenhall



**£150,000**

A well presented three bedroom detached home situated in a cul-de-sac on the fringes of the 'Coppice Farm' development. Rarely available on the development in detached format a viewing is strongly advised.

## Kings Hill Mews, Darlaston Road



**£44,950**

A well presented one bedroom top floor flat with many character styling features and views across Wednesbury. Presented in immaculate order. Also benefiting from two allocated parking spaces.

## Highgrove Close, Willenhall



**£150,000**

Three bedroom link-detached property comprising of a lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room, bathroom, garage, rear garden, double glazing & central heating.

## Squires Grove, Willenhall



**£90,000**

A well presented two bedroom, two bathroom ground floor apartment situated in a popular location in New Invention. These usually sell very fast so call us today and be the first to view!!! Offered with no upward chain.

## Harlech Road, New Invention



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**NEW** £550 pcm

**Wellington Road**

- Eye catching 2 Bed detached property
- 2 Spacious reception rooms
- Fitted kitchen with cooker and hob
- Utility area with downstairs WC
- Upstairs family bathroom with shower
- Extensive fore and rear gardens

**NEW** £500 pcm

**Weston Street**

- A 3 bed mid terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Fitted kitchen with cooker
- Downstairs family bathroom
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

**NEW** £495 pcm

**Netley way**

- Superb modernised property
- Spacious lounge area
- Modern fitted large kitchen area
- 3 Good sized bedrooms one on 3rd floor
- Dss accepted with guarantor

**NEW** £450 pcm

**Liskeard Road**

- A 2/3 bedroom duplex apartment
- 1 spacious reception room
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Upstairs family bathroom with shower
- Double Glazing throughout
- DSS accepted

**NEW** £425 pcm

**Miner Street**

- 2 Bed mid terraced property
- 2 Spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen
- Modern bathroom with shower
- Central heating and double glazing
- Dss accepted with guarantor

**NEW** £375 pcm

**Bloxwich Road**

- Top floor studio apartment
- Modern fitted bathroom with shower
- Spacious living area
- Modern Fitted kitchen units
- Dss accepted with guarantor
- Rent accepted in arrears for HB

**NEW** £330 pcm

**Caldmore Road**

- A splendid first floor apartment
- Spacious lounge area
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Good sized bathroom with white suite
- Dss accepted with guarantor
- Rent accepted in arrears for HB

£650 pcm

**Lichfield Road**

- A modernised 3 bed mid terrace
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Downstairs family bathroom
- Upstairs guest shower room
- Rear garden and block paved driveway

£550 pcm

**Alderley Crescent**

- A superb modern end terrace
- Spacious lounge with Fireplace
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Guest WC and upstairs family Bathroom
- 3 Good sized bedrooms
- Fully enclosed rear garden

£550 pcm

**NEW PRICE**

**Walstead Road**

- Refurbished semi detached property
- 2 Spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- New modern family bathroom
- 3 Bedrooms 2 being doubles
- Fully enclosed rear garden with patio

£525 pcm

**NEW PRICE**

**Lilac Grove**

- A superb 3 bed semi detached
- 2 Spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Upstairs family bathroom with shower
- Fully enclosed rear garden
- Gas central heating and double glazing

£500 pcm

**Highgate Avenue**

- A Stylish 1st floor apartment
- 2 Spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen/Utility
- Spacious lounge area
- Luxury bathroom with separate WC
- 3 Double bedrooms
- GCH Throughout/Parking

£475 pcm

**Walsingham Street**

- A re-furnished 2 bed mid terrace
- 1 spacious reception room
- Large modern fitted kitchen/diner
- Recently installed downstairs bathroom
- Gas Central Heating throughout
- Dss accepted

£475 pcm

**Dora Street**

- A 3 bed mid terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen
- Downstairs family bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

£475 pcm

**Bloxwich Road**

- Very spacious first floor flat
- Fitted kitchen/dining area
- Family bathroom/separate toilet
- 2 double bedrooms
- Spacious reception room
- Dss accepted/rent in arrears for HB

£450 pcm

**Dora street**

- A traditional 3 bed mid terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Downstairs family bathroom
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

£450 pcm

**Green lane**

- Traditional mid terraced property
- 2 Spacious reception rooms
- Fitted kitchen
- Downstairs family bathroom
- 2 Double bedrooms
- Dss accepted/Rent in arrears for HB

£450 pcm

**Burdock Close**

- A modern 2 bed mid terrace property
- 1 spacious reception room
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Upstairs family bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- Parking, Enclosed rear garden

£400 pcm

**Tudor House, Walsall**

- A fully furnished 3rd floor apartment
- Lounge/Diner
- Fitted kitchen with some appliances
- Family bathroom
- Double Glazing and Electric Heating
- No Deposit required

£400 pcm

**Eagleworks Drive**

- A modern ground floor 1 bed apartment
- Open planned lounge and kitchen area
- Modern kitchen with appliances
- Pleasant family bathroom with shower
- Double Glazing throughout
- Allocated parking space

£395

**Bridge Street, Walsall**

- 1 bed fully furnished apartment
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Fitted bathroom
- Town centre location
- DSS accepted

£380 pcm

**Leicester Street**

- A highly desirable one bed apartment
- Open planned living area
- Stylish modern bathroom
- Integrated kitchen appliances
- Electric heating throughout
- Town centre location

£650 pcm

**LET**

Similar properties required

**Honeybourne Way**

- A stylish modern detached property
- Spacious lounge with feature fireplace
- Dining room and conservatory
- Modern fitted kitchen
- 3 Bedrooms 2 with fitted wardrobes
- Guest wc and upstairs family bathroom

£525 pcm

**LET**

Similar properties required

**Broadway west**

- A pleasant 3 bed semi detached
- 2 good sized reception rooms
- Fitted kitchen with summer room
- Downstairs wc Upstairs family bathroom
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Driveway and large rear garden. No DSS

£475 pcm

**LET**

Similar properties required

**Neath Road**

- A spacious 3 bed mid terrace
- 2 good size reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Upstairs family bathroom
- Gas Central Heating and Double glazing
- Conservatory DSS accepted

£350 pcm

**LET**

Similar properties required

**Paddock Lane**

- A Re-furnished 1 bed apartment
- 1 reception room
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- New downstairs bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

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 <b>Hawksford Crescent, Wolverhampton</b> Three Bedroom Semi Detached Property, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Fitted Bathroom, Off Road Parking, Rear Garden, Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating. <b>£59,995</b>	 <b>Stringes Lane, Willenhall</b> Freehold Industrial Unit For Sale/To Let (Rent £7,800 Per Annum), 3225 Sq Ft 2 Minutes From The New Morrison's Store In A Regeneration Area. The Unit Is On 2 Floors Including Large Showroom Offices. (Business Not Affected) <b>Offers Over £74,995</b>	 <b>Leacroft, New Invention</b> A Three Bedroom End Terraced Property On The Sought After Forest Gate Estate In New Invention, Comprising Of Through Lounge, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, C/Heating, D/Glazing, In Need Of Some Modernisation. <b>£79,995 ONO</b>	 <b>Remington Road, Beechdale</b> Large Three Bedroom Mid Terrace, Two Reception, Fitted Kitchen, Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Front And Rear Gardens. <b>£82,950 ONO</b>	 <b>Western Avenue, Bentley</b> Three Bedroom Mid Terrace Property. The Property Comprises Of Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Utility Room, Downstairs WC, Three Bedrooms And A Family Bathroom. The Property Also Benefits From Double Glazing And Gas Central Heating. <b>£84,995</b>	 <b>King Edward Street, Darlaston</b> Well Presented Two Bed Mid Terrace, Two Reception Rooms, Extended Kitchen, Ground Floor Bathroom, Two Double Bedrooms, First Floor W.C., UPVC D/Glazing, C/Heating, Large Rear Garden. <b>£89,995</b>	 <b>Ashmore Lake Rd, Willenhall</b> Large Two Bedroom Traditional Semi, Two Reception Rooms, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Fitted Bathroom, C/Heating, D/Glazing, Large Rear Garden. <b>£94,995</b>	 <b>Latimer Street, Willenhall</b> Spacious Semi Detached Property Located Close To Willenhall Town Centre. The Property Comprises Of Two Reception Rooms, Fitted Kitchen, Utility Area, Downstairs W.C., Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Detached Garage & Generous Garden. <b>£94,995 ONO</b>
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## Aston Martin presents a new superstar for the carbon age

**ALL CAR manufacturers need to balance progress without leaving behind customers who love the current cars.**

It's a problem for Aston Martin, a firm steeped in history and with an image intimately tied to past products: the classic DB5/6 is one of the world's most famous cars thanks to a certain secret agent.

But how does that help you sell a new car? Take in the details of this DBS Carbon Edition and Aston Martin has got it spot on.

It starts with the grille and its distinctive shape that echoes those 50s and 60s icons.

Sandwiching that is a carbon fibre splitter and LED headlights, with 21st century written all over them, and the choice of diamond-turned alloy wheels, carbon fibre door mirrors and rear light surrounds.

Two unique colours – Ceramic Grey or Flame Orange, go through a 25-hour hand-finishing process. The DBS usually wears more sober shades but this vibrant paint draws out the sensuous curves.

The flip-up door handles are a triumph of style over function; a little more awkward than a normal handle, but worth it for the

**By Matt Joy**

looks. Pop the handle and the doors swing out and up. In the cabin there's more carbon fibre – over the top of the dashboard while the lower half is finished in piano black. The roof lining is finished in quilted leather, so every surface is a visual and tactile treat.

The DBS receives the upgraded Garmin sat nav system, a big improvement. These enhancements add to the sense of occasion and are the perfect appetiser to the driving experience.

### Magnificent

The starting routine remains the same, slotting the sapphire glass oblong key into the centre of the dashboard, followed by a rapid whirr and a snarl as the magnificent V12 fires into life.

Getting going requires a push of the D button in a Touchtronic II-equipped model, and the fly-off handbrake is a lovely nod to older Aston Martins.

The DBS has Sport suspension mode as standard, so starting in default makes your

ride comfier than you might expect.

It's no limousine, so you are always aware of the road beneath, just as you should be.

In this mode it covers long distances with ease and in fine style, although you might need to refuel fairly regularly.

Punching the Sport button sharpens the throttle response and tightens the dampers. A flick of the paddles controls the gearbox, and immediately you feel the car tighten up.

Exercising that big V12 is a lesson in how a mechanical thing can live and breathe. The raw figures say plenty – 191mph and 0-62mph in 4.3 seconds – but it feels faster.

Carbon ceramic brakes shed the speed with consummate ease, allowing you to charge up to a bend in complete confidence.

When you ease the DBS into that curve, you have the classic front-engined, rear-wheel drive set-up to inspire assurance.

But this is a modern car, with two-stage ESP to suit the conditions, so it grips and communicates as well as you would hope.

It may not be as fast as its younger rivals, but it's for you to decide whether that is more important than the size of your grin as you exit a bend, rear tyres lit up and 6.0-litres of muscle roaring away.



The DBS drips with charisma and scintillating presence



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Inside the Sportrider a host of extras come as part of the standard package

# All eyes on Ibiza revamp

By **Graham Breeze**

IT SEEMS to me that there's a growing fan base out there for SEAT, judging by the reaction to my test drive of the Ibiza five-door Sportrider.

The 1.6 TDi CR may only be an upgrade from the three-door equivalent but in Dakota red it seemed to attract attention everywhere I went on a week-long test drive.

Complete strangers were asking questions I often couldn't answer about top speed, fuel consumption, price and CO2 emissions which is unusual.

It has to be the 'arrow' style body shaping from the Spanish brand that attracted so many. Low headlight and grille positioning give the sporty look with side modifications adding another nice touch.

This Ibiza really gives SEAT a lift in the ultra-competitive supermini sector. Produced exclusively at a state-of-the-art factory in Barcelona, the company claims this model to be a match for anything in class – and at a good price too.

I remember my first drive in a SEAT and the impression that this was just a cheaper Volkswagen. Well, how that has changed with a marked improvement in build quality and high levels of comfort and sporting attitude.

Inside there's an improved feel of quality matched to comfort. An attractive dash area has all the paraphernalia you expect from a much more expensive option including Bluetooth connectivity and a navigation system if you want to pay extra.

## Leather

There are sports seats which can prove a little too hard for some on long journeys and a host of standard items such as 17-inch alloys, sports suspension, rear-parking sensors, tinted rear windows, climate control which includes a refrigerated glovebox and a leather wheel and gear stick.

But the Sportrider comes with much more. The things you would expect to have to dip into the back pocket for such as automatic lights and rain sensor wipers, dimming rear view mirror, body-coloured door handles and steering wheel-mounted radio controls all come as part of the package.

The five-door model has a longer wheelbase and wider track which of course means more room inside with an eight per cent boost in boot space – just enough for the golf clubs.

This is no flir but it does 0-62mph in 10.5 seconds and has a top speed of 117mph and outstanding CO2 emissions of 112g/km.

But what makes me think that SEAT are right on the button with the Sportrider is the fuel consumption figures. Not many cars in this sector boast combined fuel consumption figures of 65.7mpg.

Competition in the sector is as tough as it gets with Mini, Renault Clio, Corsa, Fiesta and Yaris in the field. But Sportrider is up there with them and its little wonder that the Ibiza remains the SEAT brand's best selling car.



No flir, but it makes 0-62mph in 10.5 seconds

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**ATTRACTIVE** 45yr old female, seeks genuine, attractive male, 38-48 for friendship/relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 388550 ☎

**SLIM** attractive 44yr old female, N/S, no ties, likes travel, nights out, seeks male, 40-50 for LTR. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 341491 ☎

**HOLLY** 25, slim, attractive, brunette, likes gym, WLTM nice, sensitive male of similar age for friendship/relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 380851 ☎

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**MALE** 58, 5ft 8ins, medium build, short hair, GSOH, seeks female, 50-60 to share happiness and life with. Tipton. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 370649 ☎

**GENUINE** male, early 60's, seeks petite female, 48-50's, genuine to share relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 387731 ☎

**MALE** 60, seeks female who needs a man for occasional evenings and weekend pleasure, any age/status. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 379873 ☎

**ALAN** young 62, N/S, slim, solvent, successful, OHAC, WLTM sensitive, caring female, 50-60 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 380651 ☎

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**MALE** 57, no ties, good looking, N/S, seeks mature female to end loneliness and become soul mates forever. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 372737 ☎

**43YR** old guy, looking for female, 30-40 for LTR. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386947 ☎

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**ROMANTIC** white male, 46, 5ft 11ins, likes meals out, cinema, seeks female for good times. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 388185 ☎

**33YR** old male, looking for nice lady for fun and frolics. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 380829 ☎

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**MALE** 36, likes pubs, clubs, seeks female for friendship/relationship. Carol please leave your mobile number again. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 263938 ☎

**ATTRACTIVE** kind guy 48, seeking open-minded lady for friendship and more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 387009 ☎

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**GENUINE** male, 54, own home, seeks female, any age for fun. Wolverhampton. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 368871 ☎

**IAN** 61, seeks attractive younger lady for daytime fun. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386839 ☎

**EARLY** 50's male, easygoing, seeks female for fun. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 337153 ☎

**MALE** 60, strong needs, seeks similar lady for regular evening/weekend meetings. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 384219 ☎

**STEVE** 55, seeks older lady, 60-70 for fun. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 389674 ☎

**DENNIS** 36, white, slim, dark hair, enjoys life, friendly, many interests, seeks female for friendship and more. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386539 ☎

**DANIEL** 49, tall, attractive, GSOH, seeks lady for fun relationship. Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 382559 ☎

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(ii) the link road leading from the southbound carriageway of the M6 at Junction 8 to the southbound carriageway of the M5;

(b) close -  
(i) the lengths of motorway described in (a) (i) and (ii) above; and  
(ii) the slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the M6 at Junction 9.

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## Six-a-side league is adding a division

ORGANISERS of a new six-a-side football league in Walsall have added an extra division to meet demand.

Leisure Leagues, who have more than 20,000 players across the country, secured a Tuesday night booking at Sheffield Academy.

But the response surprised senior executive Sunny Mahal.

"Teams have been flying in," he said. "The first division was full within days of us announcing the league – so quickly, in fact, that we had to form another division to cope with demand."

"It proves not only the astonishing commitment of footballers in Walsall to playing six-a-side, but also the superb nature of the product we offer. For that, I have to thank all the staff at Walsall."

Teams can claim free kit and free entry and the winners of each division move on to the national six-a-side championships.

Leagues feature qualified referees and all equipment is provided. For more details call 0845 2302340 or log on to [www.leisureleagues.net](http://www.leisureleagues.net)

## Campus is game to be judo host

WALSALL is to play host to an Olympic team.

The University of Wolverhampton's Walsall campus has been selected as a training camp for the Australian Judo team for this summer's London games.

The campus is a British Judo Association high performance centre.

The Aussies expect six players to qualify for the Olympics and they will be accompanied by two or three coaching staff.

They will arrive in mid-July and stay in the student village, next to the sports centre where the team will complete their final preparations.

Vice-Chancellor, Professor Geoff Laver, said: "We are delighted to be hosting members of the Australian judo team at our Walsall Campus."

The Gorway Road venue has significant experience of hosting judo events since it opened in 2004. These events have included competitions at national and international level.

## Butter fingers means victory slips away

## Bournville 44 Walsall 27

BASIC errors proved costly as Walsall put pressure on high-flying Bournville only to let their opponents get away.

Bournville scored after their first visit to their opponents' 22m area. A simple switch move resulted in centre Eatough touching down under the posts after 15 minutes. Five minutes later Warner added another three points after Walsall conceded a penalty after an obvious offside at the breakdown.

It was not long before the visitors were rewarded for their per-

sistency as good lineout play saw a strong drive for the line with Williamson picking up and making the final few yards to score his first try in league rugby. Matt Wood's conversion reduced the deficit to just three points.

But there were further scores during the final 10 minutes of the first half. The first went to the home team as scrum-half Petty touched down after some strong forward drives. The visitors

replied with more good running by Fitzgerald and Williamson which resulted in Wood putting over his first penalty.

The Walsall defence were slow to close down a passing movement and a wild pass should have been seized upon. But Eatough was allowed to gather the ball and stroll over for another try.

Walsall had to work hard for their scores. The half came to an end with Wood putting over a

penalty after the referee decided to penalise the hosts for persistent offside at the breakdown.

Petty got an early second-half penalty to give his team a 23-13 lead but a superb Walsall attack saw the gap close to just three points. Full-back Naylor beat two defenders as he raced over from 20 metres. Wood's well-struck conversion added the extra two points.

A Walsall win seemed a distinct possibility but the failure by several players to hold on to the ball was proving to be a real concern. The hosts took full advan-

tage to score tries that would secure them the victory. A mix-up after an Eatough kick ahead allowed the centre to score his third try and dropped passes resulted in winger Barratt scoring twice in quick succession.

Walsall showed what might have been possible when scrum-half Liam Lloyd got the touchdown for the final try. Wood's touchline conversion preceded the final whistle.

Walsall bring their season to a close this Saturday. Bedworth, who are already relegated, are the visitors to Delves Road.

## Aldridge in control after brief hiccup

**Aldridge 31 Stourport 12**  
ALDRIDGE completed their season of league rugby with a comfortable victory over Stourport.

It was 20 minutes in when an attacking scrum some 30 metres out was converted into a maul which the Aldridge forwards shunted a full 30 metres over the Stourport line for lock Eddie O'Neill to plonk the ball down. Fly-half Mark Large added the extras and Aldridge seemed on their way.

Stourport had other ideas, though, and almost from the restart caught the home side napping with a quickly taken penalty and a couple of slick off-loads which put flanker Jack Walsal over close to the posts.

The visitors were next to score. A spilled ball behind a defensive scrum within the Aldridge 22 was snapped up and run back over the Aldridge line by Stourport scrum-half Roy Meehan, who added the extras to put his side 12-7 up.

It was all change in the second half. The forwards tightened their grip and while the opposition were struggling for possession Aldridge No.8 Terry Gibbs got the scoreboard ticking over with a brace of tries, scored in typically robust fashion off the base of close-range forward pressure. Large converted both.

Scrum-half Mike Fullard clinched the bonus points, getting a hand to the ball first when Stourport spilled within their own goal area. Flanker Stu Wright completed the scoring with a solo 30-metre dash within the touchline to squeeze into the corner. The visitors made a rare sortie into Aldridge territory right at the end.

## Raiders star to take points

**Red Star Raiders U10 1**  
**Cresswell U10 0**

RED STAR pressed hard in the first half with Niall Rolinson skimming the crossbar. The winner came when a shot from distance by Lucas Fallon was parried but fell to Zach Andrews for a composed finish.

**Red Star Raiders U10 0**  
**Tipton Youth U10 3**

Red Star had a long wait for their second match and seemed to lose a little fluidity. They failed to tuck away their chances in the first half and were made to pay by the side top of the table.

## Frustrating Saddlers so close to surviving

## Walsall 0 Tranmere 1

**JUST when you thought it was safe to take a look at the League One table...**

Those who watch the Saddlers this season can't help but be annoyed. They are infuriatingly close to being safe, to securing what would be another fine achievement for manager Dean Smith and defying the odds again.

But the Saddlers continue to undermine their own efforts and are now just three points above the League One drop zone, writes Nick Mashiter.

Saturday's home defeat by Tranmere was a case in point as they lost a game they shouldn't have.

It's not complacency and it's not down to lack of effort. It's just the Saddlers lack that final 10 per cent to turn them into a strong side. It's as simple as that. It's where they are.

Defeat kept them locked in a titanic final battle with Wycombe and Leyton Orient with one of the trio doomed to the drop.

## Fears

They should stay up – the problems during the first half of the season have been rectified and their performances aren't the worry. But the fact remains Walsall are unlikely to get a better chance to end any drop fears than Saturday. It was a missed opportunity, Tranmere were organised but ordinary despite five wins from their previous eight games.

Rovers inflicted Walsall's first home defeat for seven games through Andy Robinson's free-kick before Lee Beevers' late red card added an extra dollop of frustration.

They have been unfortunate to suffer back-to-back defeats, but it is a run which cannot continue as they suffer a wobble at the wrong time.

It won't be an easy week for the Saddlers, the lingering doubts and the critics will – rightly – add to the nerves ahead of Satur-



Emmanuel Ledesma's acrobatic effort against visitors Tranmere



Lee Beevers is challenged by Rovers' Andy Robinson

day's Exeter showdown. Barbs will be aimed in their direction after two defeats, however unwarranted they were.

But the Saddlers will ignore them. They cannot afford to let them in. They have a tight-knit group, something which has helped keep their heads above water.

And they merited a point. Walsall weren't 'that' bad, nor were they 'that' good. They were average but so were Tranmere, which makes the result all the more frustrating.

The outcome saw Rovers mathematically guarantee their League One future and Walsall must take a giant leap to joining them on Saturday.

While they won't secure anything outright at Exeter they will not want to go into the final two games against Huddersfield and MK Dons needing results.

Anything other than a win for Exeter will see the Grecians relegated and Walsall must rediscover their killer instinct.

Kevan Hurst was the chief culprit when he blew the Saddlers' best opening – dragging wide when clean through – after just 13 minutes while Emmanuel Ledesma's radar was off as his efforts dipped over.

Rovers went closest when Robinson's first-half free-kick eluded everyone and bounced off the post.

Otherwise, Walsall were in relative control – until the 61st minute. Andy Butler was clattered in the face by Robinson but reacted by chasing the winger down and clipping him on the edge of the area. There was a sad inevitability about the outcome as the former Leeds man swept the free-kick in for the winner. Sam Mantom and Ledesma

fired over but the Saddlers were left counting the cost of Butler's unusual rush of blood.

It was rash from the usually reliable skipper but Smith refused to chastise his captain publicly. The manager has never overly criticised his players, a sign of the bond they share, to keep a level hand on the tiller.

He was understandably frustrated with Hurst's miss but didn't blame him and with three games to go those players who he has kept so much faith in need to repay their manager. But they will have to do it at Exeter without Beevers after he walked following a second yellow in injury time.

Frustration reigns because Walsall have always been good enough to survive. They're just making hard work of it.

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## Pics stay in focus to sink Marine

**Marine 0 Rushall Olympic 3**  
RUSHALL finished their Evo-Stik Premier away campaign with a fine win over a team who remained an outside bet for the play-offs before kick-off.

The hosts began brightly and Neil Harvey almost capitalised on a sixth-minute mistake when keeper Chris Gemmell failed to control a bouncing ball.

Rushall went ahead on 11 minutes with a somewhat fortuitous penalty awarded for handball as Luke Bottomer's drive struck Ian Latham. Craig Bannister sent keeper Callum Williams the wrong way.

Gemmell made a fine save tipping over Nick Rogan's looping drive. Rushall doubled their advantage in the 36th minute as Williams found the net.

The third came on 52 minutes when Christian Dacres' 40-yard pass was collected by Alex Melbourne who rounded Williams and scored. The Pics suffered a major setback just before the hour mark as they lost Bannister to a leg injury.

On 84 minutes Rushall looked to have got a fourth but Kyle Brady's shot was ruled offside.

## Wood turn on pressure after break

**Walsall Wood 2 Southam Utd 1**  
WALSALL WOOD dealt Southam's Midland Combination Premier title hopes a heavy blow.

The visitors took a first-half lead but two goals in a minute in the second period by Lewis Taylor Boyce gave Wood victory.

From a right-wing corner Simeon Smith lost his marker at the near post and looped a header over the keeper and into the net at the far post.

On 64 minutes, Wood forced a right-wing corner, the ball was half-cleared to Drew Aiton who played the ball through to Lewis Taylor Boyce who took one touch to bury the ball in the net.

From the restart, Tom Howard's curling ball found Taylor Boyce, whose low drive cannoned off the keeper and into the net.

Wood struggled in the first half but the second-half performance deserved the points. Stretton and Lewis restricted Simeon Smith and Tunde Ajibade to half-chances.

# Stars of yesteryear return for charity

## Walsall All-Stars

charities such as Fat Boys, CLIC Sargent and specialist hospital John Radcliffe have given her. She now wants to be part of the fundraising team working to thank the charities by raising £10,000.

The game is being organised by Penny Lawrence of CAT Communications – the Saddlers' back-of-shirt sponsors – and the firm's managing director Craig Lang.

Players such as David Kelly, Chris Marsh, Martin O'Connor and Mark Kinsella are set to star for the Saddlers while Darren Simkin, Andy Turner, Jon Purdie, John

Williams and Mel Eves could feature for Wolves. More players will be announced in the coming weeks.

Admission is £3.50 adults and £1.50 concessions; cash turnstiles will be in operation, while executive boxes, which can seat up to 10 people, can be purchased for £100 to include pre-match tea and coffee.

## Programme

A souvenir 16-page match day programme will be produced, priced at £1. Again, all profits to the cancer charities.

Event co-ordinator Lawrence said: "This should be a wonderful event where we can show all these children that there are people

out there to give them hope and smile no matter how hard life can be at times.

"I have seen the joy these charities bring to children like Mischka and we hope that the money we raise will continue to see them do great work.

Saddlers legend Marsh said: "These stories always touch the heart. Mischka's story really hit home as Craig and Penny are friends of the club. We want to put together a great match that people will want to come to and raise lots of money to make children like Mischka smile more in difficult times."

To book a box or advertise in the programme, email: penny@catuk.com

## Lockmen pay price for leaky defence

**Willenhall Town 1 Tividale 4**  
WILLENHALL battled hard, but the Lockmen's leaky defence has now shipped 134 Midland Alliance goals.

Tividale opened brightly and it took a good ninth-minute save from the Willenhall keeper to prevent defender Derek Cole opening the scoring.

The hosts were struggling to make any headway against a solid-looking Tividale defence and it took until the 20th minute for Tim Beech to make his first save of the day.

At the other end, Tividale were repeatedly thwarted by the home rearguard defence until the 30th minute when striker Michael Woolman got away on the left and sent a superb cross into the path of the onrushing Russell who drilled it home.

From the restart, the Lockmen stepped up a gear and Beech was called on to make saves with feet and hands to keep his team ahead by half-time.

Tividale increased their lead in the 57th minute through Russell. In the 69th minute, Jason Chilton himself got on the score-sheet.

Reece Leek reduced the arrears, rising highest to head a corner past the flying Tim Beech in the 78th minute. Leek's goal proved to be the last threat from the Lockmen and Adam Hill finally concluded the scoring in the 89th minute.

## Colts on lookout for new players

PELSALL VILLA Colts are looking for footballers in current school year seven for next season's under-13 side. Contact Geoff Clarkson on 07881 313752.

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# SADDLERS TOLD TO KEEP THEIR COOL

**BOSS Dean Smith has backed Walsall to keep their cool as the survival race heats up.**

The Saddlers face three final crunch games, starting at Exeter on Saturday, as they fight to beat the League One drop.

Victory at St James' Park could all but seal survival for the Saddlers.

But defeat would leave Walsall staring at a nerve-racking finale.

Exeter will be relegated if they fail to win at the weekend.

And Smith insisted his men know they must remain ice-cold as the heat begins to rise.

"It is important, definitely, and we will do," said Smith, with the Saddlers also due to take on play-off hopefuls Huddersfield and MK Dons.

"We've got this week to work towards the Exeter game and we're looking forward to it.

"What you have to do is concentrate on your own job and be disciplined in what you do.

## Discipline

"One thing I keep saying to the players is you have to keep your discipline on the pitch.

"Things which happen are mistakes, refereeing decisions and what the opposition do and you can't do anything about them," added the boss.

Smith was aggrieved when Andy Robinson scored Tranmere's winning free-kick in their 1-0 victory on Saturday after catching Andy Butler in the face earlier in the move.

The skipper fouled him in retaliation, conceding the free-kick.

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And the boss has reminded his players that they cannot let their emotions get the better of them during the vital run-in to the end of the season.

"The boy elbowing Andy in the face and the referee waved play on," said the manager.

"But Andy should keep his discipline.

"I know it's not nice having that happen," added Smith.

## Decision

"But if he had kept his discipline, he wouldn't have given a foul away – and they wouldn't have scored the goal.

"I told Andy that, but the other side of it is the referee has to make the correct decision in the first place.

"It was amazing with some of the fouls you saw out there on Saturday, yet we had a man sent off (Lee Beevers).

"In the last 15 or 20 minutes we went into a bit of a panic because we knew it was an important game," he said.

Meanwhile, the Saddlers youth team suffered a blow to their North West Youth Alliance title bid.

They went down 3-1 to leaders Preston.

## Dan Breezes through to junior crown

WALSALL crowned two new junior ABA Midlands champions as they marched through to the national stages of the competition.

Walsall Wood ABC's Daniel Breeze and Pleck ABC's Liam Etheridge are the proud possessors of the winners vest and medal for representing the region, writes Craig Birch.

But Etheridge's club-mates Haran Bains and Ryan Burrows fell at the last Midlands hurdle at the Riddings Sports Hall in Scunthorpe on Sunday afternoon.

On Saturday, Breeze claimed the win at 66kg in Class Four – for boxers born in 1996 – after overcoming the plucky challenge of Kings Heath ABC's Noel Smith.

The England international constantly fended off Smith with the jab and attacked with straight punches to go 4-1 up after the first round.

Smith had the better of the second round exchanges but still trailed 10-8 at the end of the session.

A see-saw last round finished 14-11 to Breeze, who will see the national stages of his junior ABA debut after handing Smith only his second defeat.

On Sunday, Etheridge joined him in the pre-quarter finals with a 13-6 win over Chris Allen, from the Terry Allen Unique club in Lincoln.

They clashed at 54kg as Etheridge made the step to four rounds in the most senior of the divisions in Class Six, for boxers born in 1994.

Both fighters tried to work from distance before Etheridge tidied up his work. The talented teen got in close and short, sharp punches gave him the advantage at the end of the second round, by 7-6.

His best work came in the last round as Allen was unable to register a further score, with Etheridge handed the decision by 13-6.

Back in Class Four, Bains lost out to Tom Cowling, from the South Normanton School of Boxing, by 11-8 at 48kg in a scrappy affair.

Fellow Pleck combatant Burrows was out-pointed 13-6 by Aston ABC's Mason Lynn at 48kg in Class Five, for boxers born in 1995.



Boxer Dan Breeze, back in the ring for training at Walsall Wood ABC after winning the junior ABA Midlands championship

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